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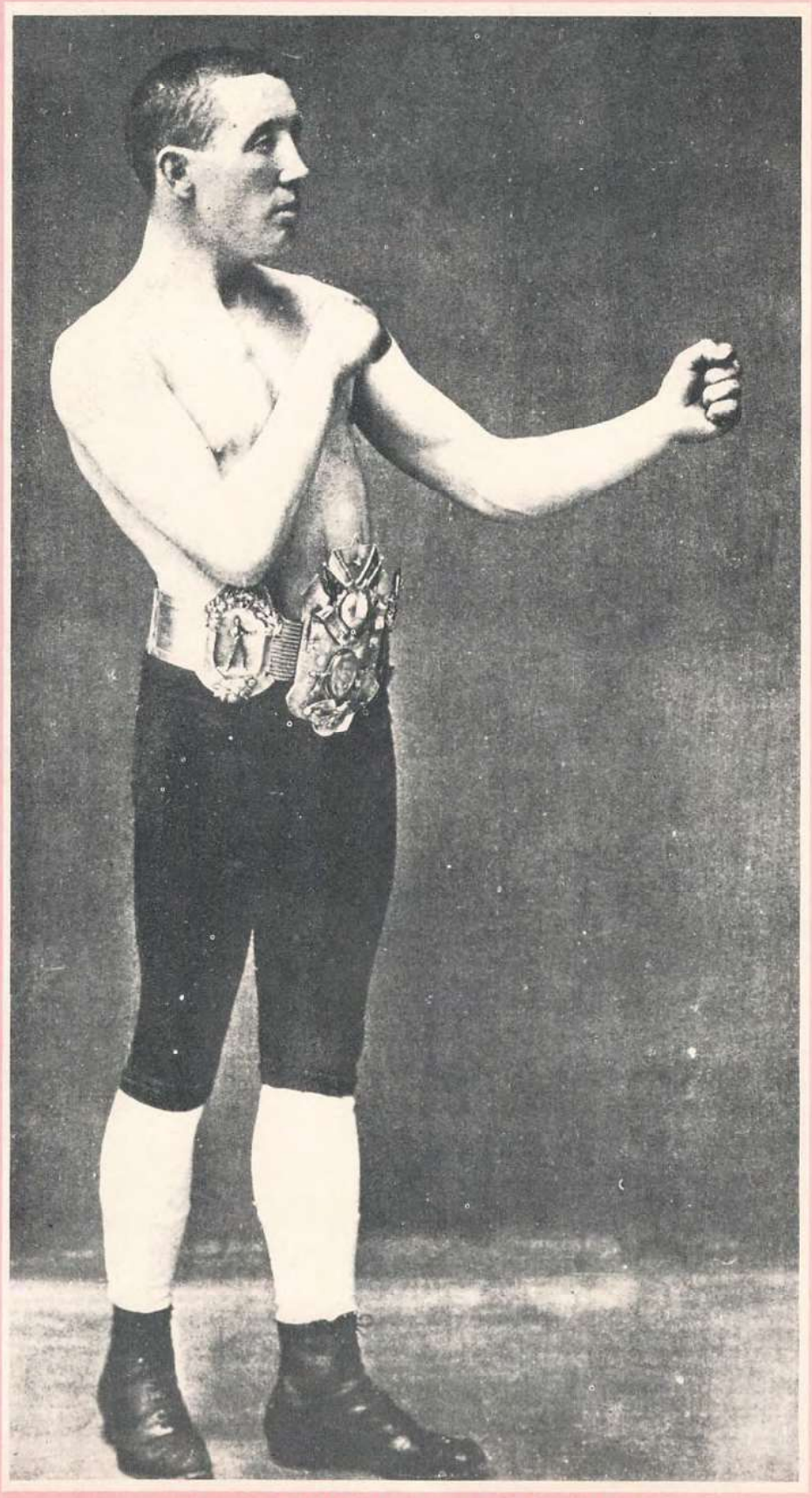

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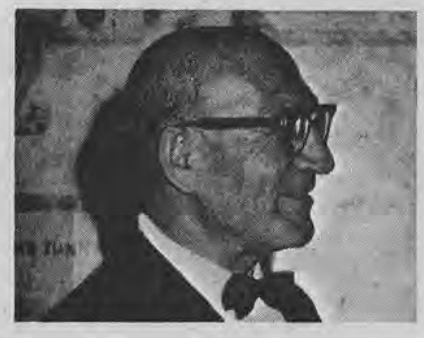

MEMO-from the publisher's desk

ANCIENT HISTORY

Press reports of the recent study of boxing conducted by the Royal College of Physicians of London played up the findings in an all-too-familiar light. The impression created by the headline writers was one to make the anti-boxing nuts rejoice. And they did.

Yet, a careful reading of newspaper accounts of this report creates quite the opposite impression.

The "scare" type played up punch-drunkenness. "Boxing Is Inherently Damaging to the Brain," trumpeted one of the more conservative headlines.

But read on. . .the first thing you discover is that this newly released report covers boxers who were active between 1929 and 1955. From 15 to 41 years ago! Ancient history, in other words.

The report, based on a seven-year study of 224 former boxers, made the obvious point that the longer a man boxes, the greater the chance he will sustain some injury to his brain.

Breaking it down, the report states that among former boxers aged 50 and over, 47 percent of those who had been fighting ten years or more showed brain damage. This declined to 17 percent among those whose careers had lasted six to nine years, and 13 percent among those who had boxed five years or less.

Further, among ex-boxers now 30 to 49 years old, evidence of brain damage was found in 25 percent of those active more than ten years, in 14 percent of those with six to nine years' service in the ring, and down to one percent of those who fought no more than five years.

One immediate conclusion suggested by the foregoing figures is that even in that long-gone 1929-55 era, great improvement was achieved. Just compare the figures:.

Among the ten-year men brain injury declined by 1955 from the older group's 47 percent to 25; among the six-to-nine year men it dropped from 17 to 14. and in the five-or-less contingent, from 13 to one.

Now it must be borne in mind that the vast majority of boxing careers last less than five years. In other words, back in 1955, the average journeyman fighter starting out had pretty good statistics on his side. He'd have but one chance in a hundred of sustaining serious injury if he called it a career within five years.

He'd be taking no more chance than the average man does in stepping across the street, or driving downtown in his car. . .probably somewhat less.

Which leads to speculation about what the odds would be today, if a similar study were made. The certainty here is that the percentage figures would have to be drawn to the nearest hundredth or thousandth.

Medical supervision of boxing has improved so tremendously in the last fifteen years that the Royal College's report is just not relevant to today's conditions. Dr. Adrian Whiteson, medical officer of the British Board of Boxing Control, pointed out that a far different report would be written if an inquiry were made five years from now.

How could it be otherwise? Within the last fifteen years, numerous safety precautions have been introduced: safety mats, bigger gloves of improved "thumbproof" design, stricter medical supervision (pre-and-post-fight exams, EEGs, etc.). The "punchy" fighter is a thing of the past.

In playing up the "scare" aspects of the report, the doctors, and the headline writers, were guilty of distortion. Actually, boxing should be proud of the progress that has been made.

It doesn't deserve to be anybody's whipping boy.

Abe Glick, Publisher

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In America

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PROMOTERS – Willie (The Beard) Gilzenberg & Vince McMahon have commenced reaching for the Bob Foster-Dick Tiger titular rematch – with possible sites in Washington, D.C., Miami, Baltimore and Atlantic City . . . Overseas fight buffs predict ex-champ Fighting Harada will strip Johnny Famechon of his world's featherweight crown, when they tee-off in Tokyo in mid-January . . . "Fresno Dreadnought" Mac Foster – sportin' 20-consecutive KOs – has been pegged for an upcoming Sports Illustrated feature.

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MANILA IMPRESARIO Lope Sarreal epistled: "My son, Lope, Jr., now manages the new flyweight champ, Bernabe Villacampo. He easily defeated Hiroyuki Ebihara in Osaka, Japan – and drew 75,000 American dollars. Bernabe will draw very well here in the Philippines. He's very well liked." . . . Former gladiator James J. Beattie – who muffed the big time – has been nominated for the "Jess Willard" role in the forthcoming "Great White Hope" movie . . . Former featherweight champ Raul Rojas – presently in the midst of a successful comeback – is now being piloted by West Coast's colorful "Swifty" Kabakoff.

JACK O'HALLORAN

WEST COAST INSIDERS say Mexico's Rodolfo Gonzalez (who moonlights as a utility foreman for Southern Calif. Edison; and sports 33 KOs in 44 tiffs) looks like the "best bet" to corral the lightie crown in '70! He's being capably piloted by messrs. Ralph Gillbreath & Danny Villanueva, former place-kicker for the L.A. Rams and Dallas Cowboys. Mister V now operates as chief sports-commentator for TV station KMEX in Los Angeles . . . St. Louis promoter John Edwards plans on resuming big time fight shows early in '70.

ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME Jr. Middleweight champ Freddie Little defended his crown against WBA's No. 1 challenger Bennie Briscoe ??? . . . West Coast light-heavy Dick Steele has been tabbed "the most carefully guarded" leather pusher on Bash Boulevard . . . Grand guy Pete Montesi (Danbury, Conn. veteran fight figure) passed into the Great Beyond . . . Las Vegas' Bill Miller insists he's the one-and-only fight promoter presently operating in San Diego, Calif.

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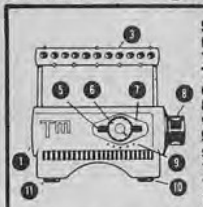

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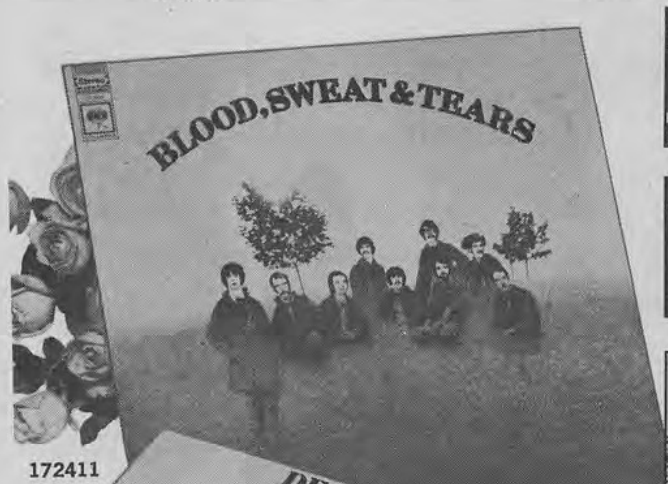

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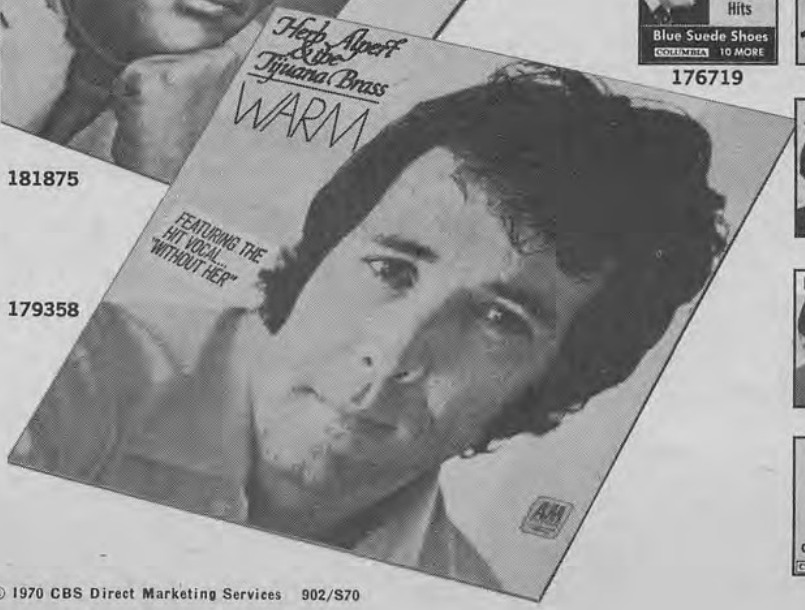

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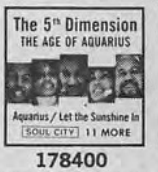

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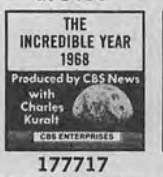

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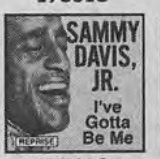

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Frazier and Ellis exchange taunts right after Joe successfully defended his six-state version of the title by halting Jerry Quarry in seven rounds.

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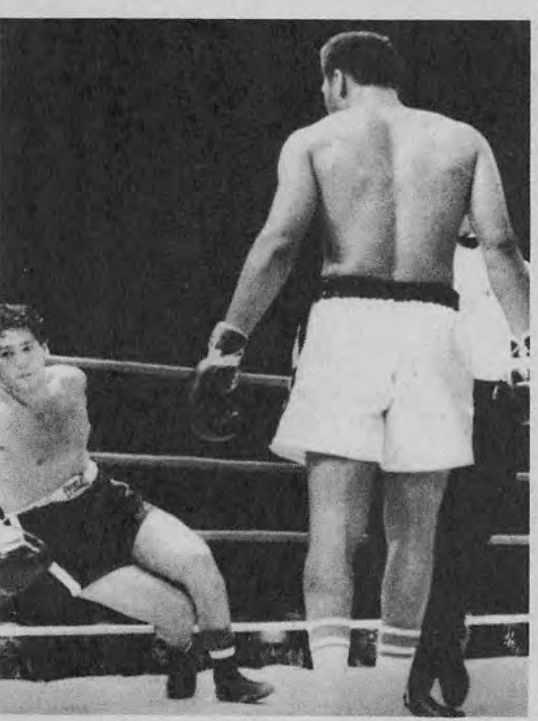

Ellis had rugged Oscar Bonavena on the canvas in winning a 12-round elimination tournament bout on Dec. 2, 1967.

Bonavena stood up under Frazier's best punches for 15 rounds and tagged Joe with some pretty good shots, like this right, but Joe was a clear-cut winner.

The long awaited heavyweight showdown between world champion Jimmy Ellis of Louisville, Ky., and Joe Frazier, the six-state champion from Philadelphia, Pa. is finally "in the works." It will be the classic pairing between boxer and slugger: Ellis the fast moving, clever, left hooking champion and Frazier the strong, durable slugger.

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1. *Name the winner, whether by decision or knockout.*
2. *If you say knockout, name the round and the time of the knockout.*
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WORLD BOXING RATINGS
BY THE WORLD BOXING COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 27, 1969

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HEAVYWEIGHTS (over 175 lbs.)

Title Vacant

1. Joe Frazier, United States
2. Jimmy Ellis, United States
3. Sonny Liston, United States
4. Jerry Quarry, United States
5. Leotis Martin, United States
6. Oscar Bonavena, Argentina
7. Mac Foster, United States
8. Al Jones, United States
9. Gregorio Peralta, Argentina
10. Jack Bodell, Great Britain

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS (175 lbs.)

World Champion—BOB FOSTER, United States

1. Dick Tiger, United States
2. Jimmy Dupree, United States
3. Mark Tessman, United States
4. Bob Dunlop, Australia
5. Andy Kendall, United States
6. Eddie Jones, United States
7. Yvan Prebeg, Luxembourg
8. Piero del Papa, Italy
9. Vicente Rondon, Venezuela
10. Ray Anderson, United States

MIDDLEWEIGHTS (160 lbs.)

World Champion—NINO BENVENUTTI, Italy

1. Tom Bogs, Denmark
2. Luis Rodriguez, United States
3. Carlos Monzon, Argentina
4. Emile Griffith, United States
5. Andy Heilman, United States
6. Denny Moyer, United States
7. Doyle Baird, United States
8. George Benton, United States
9. Juarez de Lima, Brazil
10. Juan Duran, Italy

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS (154 lbs.)

World Champion—FREDDIE LITTLE, United States

1. Eddie Pace, United States
2. Jose Chirino, Argentina
3. Curtis Cokes, United States
4. Rodrigo Valdez, Colombia
5. Benny Briscoe, United States
6. Joe Shaw, United States
7. Stan Hayward, United States
8. Les McAteer, Great Britain
9. Pete Toro, United States
10. Willie Warren, United States

WELTERWEIGHTS (147 lbs.)

World Champion—JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico

1. Ernie "Red" Lopez, United States
2. Johann Orsolics, Austria
3. Percy Pugh, United States
4. Ralph Charles, Great Britain
5. Hedgemon Lewis, United States
6. Jean Josselin, France
7. Carmelo Bossi, Italy
8. Miguel Barretto, United States
9. Billy Backus, United States
10. Manuel Gonzales, United States

LIGHTWEIGHTS (135 lbs.)

World Champion—ARMANDO RAMOS, United States

1. Ismael Laguna, Panama
2. Pedro Carrasco, Spain
3. Ken Buchanan, Great Britain
4. Carlos Teo Cruz, Dom. Republic
5. Arturo Lomeli, Mexico
6. Jaguar Kakisawa, Japan
7. Carlos Aro, Argentina
8. Ultimino "Sugar" Ramos, Mexico
9. Miguel Velasquez, Spain
10. Rodolfo Gonzales, United States

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS (130 lbs.)

World Champion—RENE BARRIENTOS, Philippines

1. Hiroshi Kobayashi, Japan
2. Antonio Amaya, Panama
3. Ruben Navarro, United States
4. Alton Colter, United States
5. Carlos Canete, Argentina
6. Saleman Ithi-anuchit, Thailand
7. Antonio Puddu, Italy
8. Alfredo Marcano, Venezuela
9. Kenji Iwata, Japan
10. Flash Gallego, Philippines

FEATHERWEIGHTS (126 lbs.)

World Champion—JOHNNY FAMECHON, Australia

1. Vicente Saldivar, Mexico
2. Fighting Harada, Japan
3. Sho Saijyo, Japan
4. Jose Legra, Spain
5. Lionel Rose (Australia)
6. Godfrey Stevens, Chile
7. Cruz Marcano, Venezuela
8. Jimmy Revie, Great Britain
9. Antonio Gomez, Venezuela
10. Koniaki Shibata, Japan

BANTAMWEIGHTS (118 lbs.)

World Champion—RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico

1. Jesus Chucho Castillo, Mexico
2. Raul Cruz, Mexico
3. Takeo Sakurai, Japan
4. Alan Rudkin, Great Britain
5. Julio Guerrero, Mexico
6. Leo Calderon, Mexico
7. Kazyuyoshi Kanasawa, Japan
8. Katsuyoshi Takayama, Japan
9. Jose Medel, Mexico
10. Koichi Okada, Japan

FLYWEIGHTS (112 lbs.)

World Champion—EFREN "ALACRAN" TORRES, Mexico

1. Bernabe Villacampo, Philippines
2. Fermin Gomez, Mexico
3. Erbito Salavarria, Philippines
4. Berkrerk Chartvonchai, Thailand
5. Hirayuki Ebihara, Japan
6. Susumu Hanagata, Japan
7. Lorenzo Gutierrez, Mexico
8. Chartchai Chionoi, Thailand
9. Efren Raton Mojica, Nicaragua
10. Osualdo Maldonado Argentina

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS (140 lbs.)

World Champion—PEDRO ADIGUE, Philippines

1. Nicolino Loche, Argentina
2. Adolph Pruitt, United States
3. Bruno Arcari, Italy
4. Sandro Lopopolo, Italy
5. Joao Henrique, Brazil
6. Carlos Hernandez, Venezuela
7. Paul Fuji, Hawaii
8. Chung Kyo Shin, Korea
9. Juan Aranda, Argentina
10. Eugenio Espinosa, Ecuador

WORLD BOXING RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS	LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS		MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
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ZORA FOLLEY, ARIZONA	**BOB DUNLOP, AUSTRALIA**	**–8–**	**CARLOS DURAN, ITALY**	**ESTEBAN OSUNA, ARGENTINA**
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Billy Joiner, Ohio	Henry Hank, Mich.	–14–	Stan "Kitten" Hayward, Penna.	Carlos Ortiz, New York
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Jose Luis Cruz, Mexico	Nevio Carbi, Italy	–36–	Mario Manrique, Mexico	Kamara Diop, France
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7. LEVY MADI, SOUTH AFRICA
8. FLASH GALLEGO, PHILIPPINES
9. PIETRO ZIINO, ITALY
10. JOSE ACOSTA, VENEZUELA
11. Hidemori Tsujimoto, Japan
12. Luis Ramirez, Mexico
13. Kenji Iwata, Japan
14. Saleman Ith-anuchit, Thailand
15. Rokura Ishiyama, Japan
16. Hiroshi Shoji, Japan
17. Baby Cassius, Calif.
18. Enrique Jana, Argentina
19. Bill Whittenberg, West Va.
20. Jun Koiwa, Japan

WORLD BOXING RATINGS
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HEAVYWEIGHTS (over 175 lbs.)

Champion—JIMMY ELLIS, Louisville

(Won title April 27, 1968) (Last defense September 14, 1968)

1. Joe Frazier, Philadelphia
2. Oscar Bonavena, Argentina
3. Leotis Martin, Philadelphia
4. Jerry Quarry, Bellflower, Calif.
5. Charles Liston, Las Vegas
6. Al Jones, Goulds, Florida
7. Mac Foster, Fresno, Calif.
8. Greg Peralta, Argentina
9. Jack Bodell, England
10. Zora Folley, Phoenix

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS (175 lbs.)

Champion—BOB FOSTER, Washington, D.C.

(Won title May 24, 1968) (Last defense May 24, 1969)

1. Dick Tiger, Biafra
2. Mark Tessman, Houston
3. Jimmy Dupree, New York City
4. Ray Anderson, Akron, Ohio
5. Andy Kendall, Portland, Ore.
6. Vincente Paul Rondon, Venezuela
7. Bob Dunlop, Australia
8. Eddie Jones, Los Angeles
9. Avenamar Peralta, Argentina
10. Larry Buck, Yakima, Wash.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS (160 lbs.)

Champion—NINO BENVENUTI, Italy

(Regained title March 4, 1968) (Last defense November 22, 1969)

1. Tom Bogs, Copenhagen
2. Carlos Monzon, Argentina
3. Doyle Baird, Akron, Ohio
4. Don Fullmer, Utah
5. Luis Rodriquez, Miami Beach
6. Juan Carlos Duran, Italy
7. George Benton, Philadelphia
8. Andy Heilman, Fargo, N.D.
9. Juarez DeLima, New York
10. Frazer Scott, Seattle, Wash.

JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS (154 lbs.)

Champion—FREDDIE LITTLE, Las Vegas

(Won title March 17, 1969) Last defense September 9, 1969)

1. Jose Chirino, Argentina
2. Eddie Pace, Los Angeles
3. Joe Shaw, New York City
4. Benny Briscoe, Philadelphia
5. Pete Toro, New York City
6. Jerry Pellegrini, New Orleans
7. Hissao Minami, Japan
8. Jimmy Lester, San Francisco
9. Allen Phillips, New Orleans
10. George Cooper, Oakland, Calif.

WELTERWEIGHTS (147 lbs.)

Champion—JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico

(Won title April 18, 1969) (Last defense October 18, 1969)

1. Ernie Lopez, Las Vegas
2. Percy Pugh, New Orleans
3. Johann Orsolics, Austria
4. Rodrigo Valdes, Columbia
5. Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit
6. Manuel Gonzalez, Houston
7. Billy Backus, New York
8. Miquel Barreto, Puerto Rico
9. Esteban Osuna, Argentina
10. Raul Rodriquez, Mexico

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS (140 lbs.)

Champion—NICOLINE LOCHE, Argentina

(Won title December 12, 1968) (Last defense October 11, 1969)

1. Adolph Pruitt, Los Angeles
2. Bruni Arcari, Italy
3. Jona Henrique, Brazil
4. Eddie Perkins, Chicago
5. Paul Fuji, Japan
6. Domingo Barrera Corpas, Spain
7. Lion Furuyama, Japan
8. Juan Aranda, Argentina
9. Pedro Adique, Philippines
10. Dario Hidalgo, Miami Beach

LIGHTWEIGHTS (135 lbs.)

Champion—MANDO RAMOS, Los Angeles

(Won title February 18, 1969) (Last defense October 4, 1969)

1. Ismael Laguna, Panama
2. Carlos Hernandez, Venezuela
3. Pedro Carrasco, Spain
4. Carlos (Teo) Cruz, Dom. Republic
5. Arturio Lomeli, Mexico
6. Eugenio Espinoza, Ecuador
7. Frankie Narvaez, New York City
8. Hector Sanchez, Panama
9. Rodolfo Gonzalez, Los Angeles
10. Carlos Aro, Argentina

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS (130 lbs.)

Champion—HIROSHA KOBAYASHI, Japan

(Won title February 14, 1967) (Last defense November 10, 1969)

1. Antonio Amaya, Panama
2. Ruben Navarro, Los Angeles
3. Rene Barrientos, Philippines
4. Carlos Canete, Argentina
5. Flash Gallego, Philippines
6. Cruz Marcano, Venezuela
7. Rokuro Ishivama, Japan
8. Juan Corradi, Argentina
9. Ricardo Lescano, Argentina
10. Ray Echavarria, San Jose, Calif.

FEATHERWEIGHTS (126 lbs.)

Champion—SHO SAIJYO, Los Angeles

(Won title September 27, 1968) (Last defense September 7, 1969)

1. Godfrey Stevens, Chile
2. Vincente Saldivar, Mexico
3. Johnny Famechon, Australia
4. Fighting Harada, Japan
5. Jose Acosta, Caracas
6. Lionel Rose, Australia
7. Allen Colter, Phoenix
8. Jose Legra, Spain
9. Antonio Gomez, Mexico
10. Alfredo Marcano, Venezuela

BANTAMWEIGHTS (118 lbs.)

Champion—RUBEN OLIVARES, Mexico

(Won title August 22, 1969)

1. Alan Rudkin, England
2. Takao Sukuri, Japan
3. Raul Cruz, Mexico
4. Koichi Okada, Japan
5. Jesus Castillo, Mexico
6. Alberto Reyes, Philippines
7. Leo Calderon, Mexico
8. Katsuyashi Takayama, Japan
9. Kazuo Kanazawa, Japan
10. Rudy Alarcon, Philippines

FLYWEIGHTS (112 lbs.)

Champion—BERNABE VILLACAMPO, Philippines

(Won title October 19, 1969)

1. Benkrenk Chartvanchi, Thailand
2. Fermin (Gallego) Gomez, Mexico
3. Susumu Hanagata, Japan
4. Hiroyki Ebihara, Japan
5. Alacran Torres, Mexico
6. Raton Mojica, Nicaraqua
7. Jose Severino, Brazil
8. Octavio Gomez, Mexico
9. Dong Ki Cho, Korea
10. Masao Ohba, Japan

Photos by GEORGE RODRIGUEZ

Ruben gets his hands okayed by inspector Jack Mitchell prior to a fight.

goes to the arena via chartered bus, thus cutting down on the drunk-driving toll. Chomping *tacos* and guzzling beer, they cheer Ruben from the time he leaves his dressing room. And when their man is proclaimed victor, they storm the ring to congratulate him.

Though Navarro is listed as a junior lightweight (130 pounds), he really considers himself a full-blown lightweight (135 pounds) – because that's where the money is. Most of his recent bouts have been against 135-pounders.

Ruben is well acquainted with the King of the Hill in the lightweight class – another young Los Angeles Area Mexican-American, Mando Ramos of Long Beach.

THE MARAVILLA KID

The Fighting Pride of East Los Angeles-- Ruben Navarro. A Talented Boxer and Unique Human Being.

by RUDY RODRIGUEZ

On the East Side of Los Angeles, sandwiched between two freeways and an enormous tract of upper-middle income hillside homes, is a down-at-the-heels, predominantly Mexican community called Maravilla.

Maravilla is one of those places where there isn't much foot-traffic after dark. Even the muggers go around in pairs, for fear of getting zapped and rolled.

At an age when boys of other, more prosperous neighborhoods are learning to fish or swim or play ball, the swarthy little *muchachos* of Maravilla are picking up on skills like how to roll a drunk, or how to put the grab on an old lady's purse without really trying. And they develop other handicrafts, too, with zip-guns and knives and sometimes, with their fists.

Not surprisingly, the community has produced its share of prize fighters through the years – Richie Lemos, Don Jordan, Larry Cisneros, Rudy Cruz, Keeny Teran, and Gil Cadilli, to name a few of the better ones.

And now another battler has come along, born and raised in the heart of Maravilla, a kid so tough he'd probably think nothing of strolling along the neighborhood's darkest street at midnight, alone and with his eyes closed.

The name is Ruben Navarro. He was 85-1 as an amateur, and he has lost just twice in 20 starts since turning pro in 1967. He currently ranks high on anybody's list of the world's top junior lightweights, with wins over Hiroshi Kobayashi, Ray Adigun, Tony Alvarado, Baby Cassius, and Pete Gonzalez, a draw with Yoshiaki Numata, and a narrow 15-round decision loss to World Boxing Council junior lightweight champ Rene Barrientos.

In the ring, Ruben is a hustling, viciously aggressive, *exciting* performer. His style is simple: go after 'em, stay after 'em, and out-hit 'em. A good right-hand puncher, he has won half his bouts by knockout.

When Ruben fights in L. A., his fans put on a show reminiscent of the old neighborhood-club days in New York fifty years ago. One particular group of about fifty *amigos* always

Ruben is all tensed up before a fight.

Lined up before all-star card at the Forum are (l-r) Des Rea, Danny Lesesma, Dwight Hawkins (hidden behind announcer Mario Machado), Frankie Crawford, Arturo Lomeli, Ruben and Richie Sue.

One of the two losses on his record was handed him by Lomeli (above) while below his friends and neighbors come by the busload to cheer him on.

"Yeah, Mando and I know each other," says Ruben. "I wouldn't say we are exactly *friends*, or anything like that, but we *respect* each other.

"Sometimes I feel a little bit resentful because of all the attention Ramos gets, but he's the champ – so I guess he's got it coming.

"I'll tell you one thing, though: I've always felt that I can beat Mando. I've been wanting to fight him for a long time; since long before he won the title.

"Now, of course, I want to fight him more than ever. He's a good, game fighter, with a good jab and all that. But I've got the style to beat him.

"One thing that really bugs me is the fact that Mando has had all the breaks more or less *handed* to him so far, while I've had to *fight* for mine."

Actually, a simmering feud has existed between the two hot-shot lightweights for many months, and it could someday explode into that rarest of fistic attractions – a hometown "natural" with the world title at stake.

Mando and Ruben have faced several common foes, with similar results. Each of them dècisioned Pete Gonzalez and Hiroshi Kobayashi, and each kayoed Billy Coleman.

Following Ruben's easy second-round kayo of Coleman in 1968, Ramos belittled the victory. "Navarro," he scoffed, "is building his reputation by beating a bunch of hamburgers."

A few weeks later, on hearing that Ramos had himself signed to meet the inept Coleman in a tuneup scrap at San Antonio, Navarro evened the score.

Co-manager Johnny Flores gives Ruben some between-rounds instructions.

"Hey," Ruben exclaimed to a Los Angeles boxing scribe, "tell Mando to quit stealing my hamburgers!"

In spite of his tough upbringing, rough appearance, and rasping, growly voice, Ruben Navarro today is a remarkably well-adjusted and extremely intelligent young man. The wild boy of the streets has become a serious-minded, deep-thinking citizen, dedicated to helping others escape the devastation of ghetto life. He spends several spare-time hours each week as playmate-counselor of the tough *chicanos* of his old neighborhood.

Ruben lives with his strikingly attractive wife, Carol, and their two children (Frank, 4, and Julie Ann, 2) in a comfortable apartment a short distance from Maravilla. And while he's extremely dedicated to boxing and very thankful for the lift the sport has given him the Maravilla Kid is looking forward to the day when he can afford to quit the ring in favor of a less hazardous profession.

Ruben gets a solid cheer as he enters the ring.

"Boxing," says Navarro, "is a hell of a way to make a living. They tell me that men have been *killed* in the ring – and I'm sure it's true.

"When you consider all the sacrifices a fighter has to make, and the way he has to torture his body getting ready for a fight, it's probably the toughest job in the world. But the rewards are there, if you're good enough."

Ruben, it appears, is good enough. He has abundant courage, great ambition, and no small amount of ability. But he's in his second year of college, preparing himself for a career as a probation or parole officer, in case he falls short of the big score in boxing.

"What I'd really like to do," he confided to friends recently, "is open up a business of my own here on the East Side – a liquor store, or an ice cream parlor, or something like that – and become a leader in the community.

"But that takes money. I may have to settle for working for the city. But however it turns out, I want to do something to help people around here – especially the young people – improve themselves."

That's not the kind of talk ordinarily heard from a prize fighter. But then, there's nothing "ordinary" about Ruben Navarro. He is, in fact, rather *extraordinary* – as a boxer, and as a human being as well.

"Ruben," says his manager, Johnny Flores, "hasn't even reached his prime yet. He's eager, he's impatient, he wants to do it *now*.

"But he's only 23; there's plenty of time. Time to put on a couple more pounds and learn a little more about boxing.

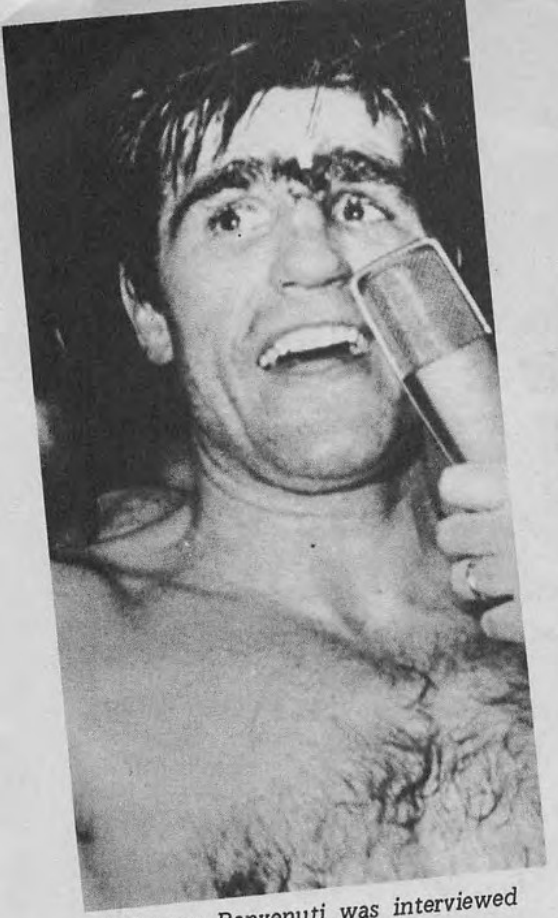
"Right now," adds Flores, "we'd like to go in again with Arturo Lomeli. He beat Ruben in a very close 12-rounder at the Forum last year. We'd like to even the score with him, then go after Mando Ramos."

Meanwhile, Flores will try to keep his serious-minded warrior busy. They'll take the contenders as they come, and maybe go back after one of the versions of the junior lightweight crown, held jointly by Rene Barrientos of Manila (WBC and Hiroshi Kobayashi of Tokyo (WBA).

Sooner or later, Ruben figures to force a showdown with his hometown rival, Ramos. When that day comes, both men will get a whopping payday and the fans will get a whopping fight.

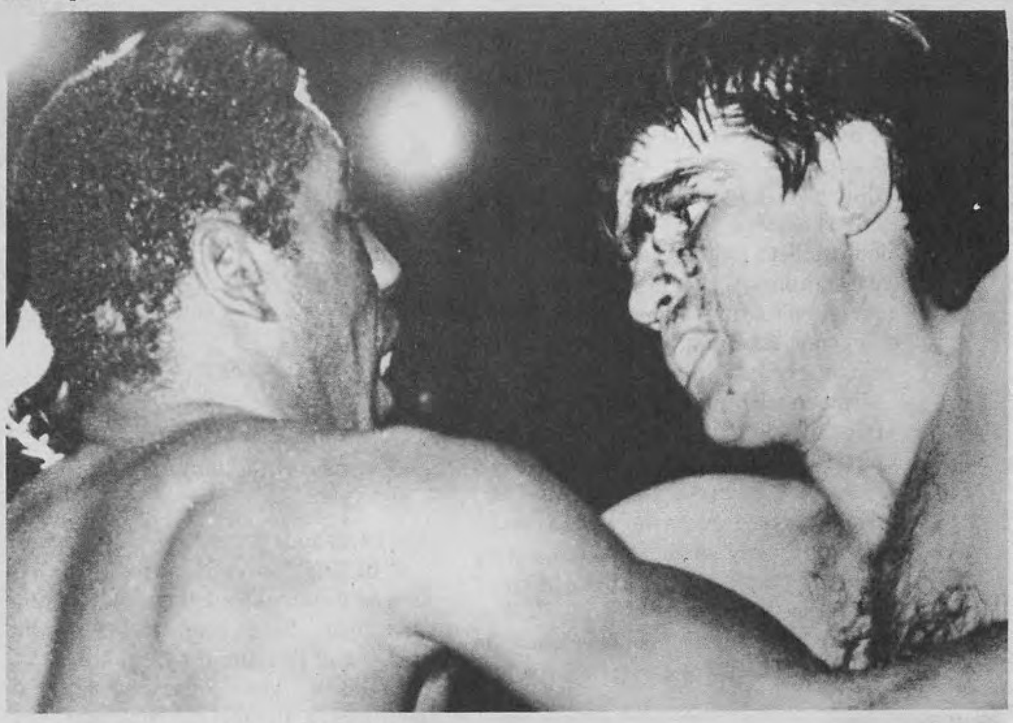
It will be something to see. ♦ ♦ ♦

Ruben with his best pals – the muchachos of Maravilla, his old neighborhood.



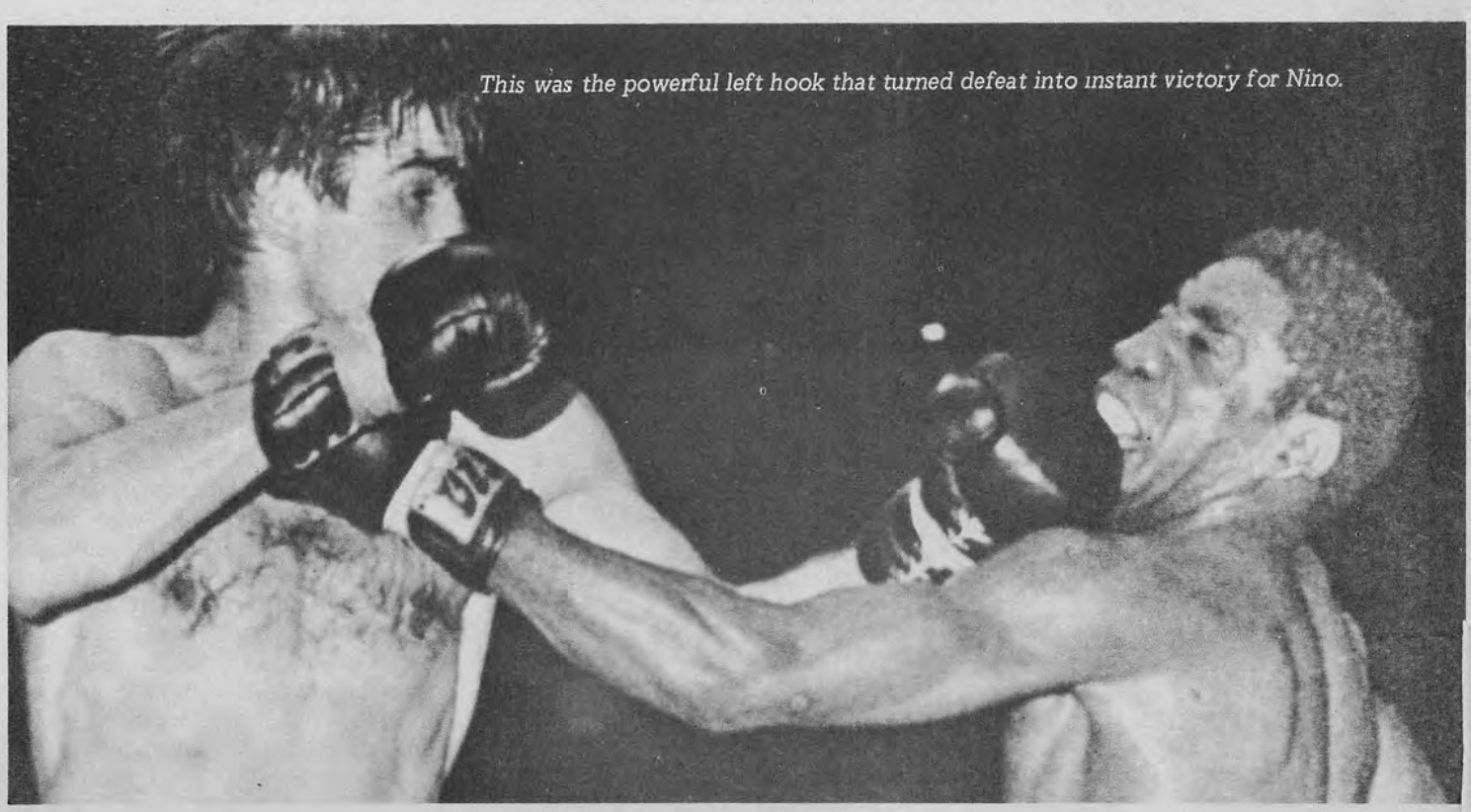
A joyous Benvenuti was interviewed by newsmen in his dressing room.

Benvenuti's face was covered with blood from the wounds inflicted by Rodriquez.



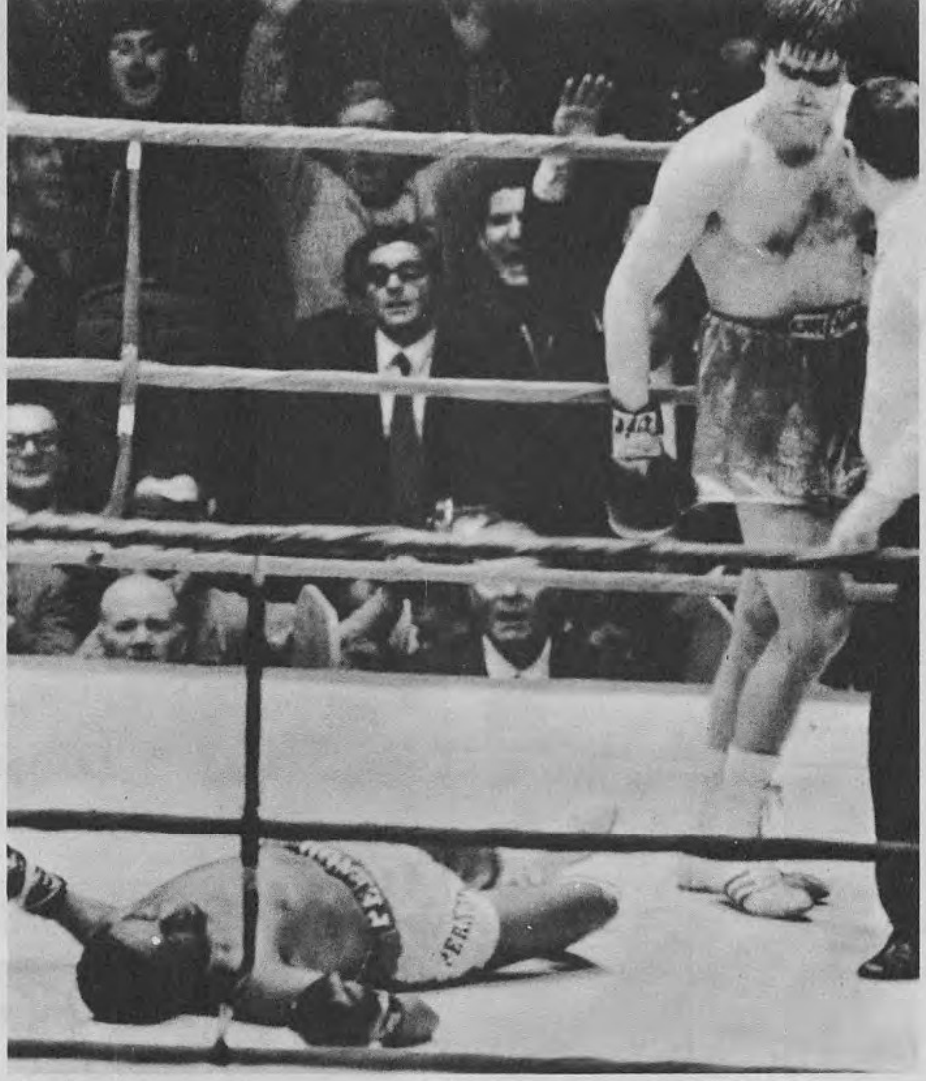
"VIVO NINO"

BENVENUTI RETAINS TITLE WITH STARTLING KAYO OF RODRIGUEZ



This was the powerful left hook that turned defeat into instant victory for Nino.

This was one of the few times that Nino was on the offensive. It took place in the third round.



The crowd goes slightly "nuts" as Rodriquez is spread-eagled and Nino heads for a neutral corner.

Luis struggles to rie in vain as the referee waves ten and out.

by ED MANNIX

Rome, Italy . . . Nino Benvenuti had dodged a showdown meeting with former welterweight titleholder Luis Rodriguez of Miami, Fla., for two years and for ten rounds here at the Palazzo Dello Sport it was pretty obvious why. Luis, outspeeding and outjabbing Nino, appeared well on the way to taking the world middleweight title from the Italian idol, when Nino proved that he is a true fighting champion. With one potent left hook he sent Rodriguez down flat on his back for the full count. It was the first time in the fourteen-year 100 pro bout career of the transplanted Cuban that he has been counted out.

The end came with a startling suddenness that left the huge crowd shocked into stillness for a brief moment before they exploded into a wild frenzy when they realized that Rodriguez was down and out!

Luis, the 32-year-old challenger, had come on strong after the fourth round to overcome the partiality of the referee, Mario Carabellese, who unnecessarily harassed Rodriguez, and the loud and equally onesided crowd, to jar Nino time after time with swift and sharp blows that had the 31-year-old champion's face covered with blood from a deep wound on the bridge of his nose and a smaller one over his left eye.

It was a sad evening for Rodriguez who had sought this title chance for so long, and a joyous one for Nino who turned apparent defeat into victory.

Luis got off fast in the opening round and a sharp left hook drew blood from Nino's nose within a minute. Nino, however, remained cool and took over in the next two rounds as he was able to outjab Luis, but his punches lacked any sting. He landed

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"A Fighting Hairdresser"?

by BOB DECKER YES SIR, THAT'S

Washington light heavyweight hit spotlight

Harry Buck is a 28-year-old hairdresser. He is also a professional fighter. He trained diligently since turning pro four years ago but fought only 19 times, against modest opposition. Larry appeared, only briefly, in Boxing Illustrated's Top Fifty Light Heavyweights while waiting patiently for the tougher opposition he kept asking for. And then it happened. He faced, and fought a ten-round draw with one of the toughest fighters in the world – Andy Kendall.

Larry's left jab was an effective weapon in his draw with Andy Kendall.

Buck's patience proved a lot longer out of the ring then inside. For when Buck started as a pro back in 1966 a young amateur named Fraser Scott had not won his first Golden Gloves Championship. Now, four years later, while Buck prepared for his first main event, Scott trained in the same gym to prepare himself for a world title fight with Nino Benvenuti. But Larry did more than meet the biggest challenge of his career. When this heretofore quiet, light punching boxer turned into an aggressive action fighter he set Northwest fans buzzing.

Larry is one of those young men who would be in the sport even if there was no money in it. After a long amateur career that saw him win most of his almost 100 bouts, along with numerour titles, the needs of his growing family convinced him to join the "fight for pay" ranks. He is the kind of professional athlete that you could use as an example for your youngster. He's nothing like the professional pug stereotype created by movies and novels. He puts in a full shift as a welder and for years worked in his wife's beauty shop as a hairdresser – his previous occupation. Like most fighters the paychecks are small and infrequent. But things are looking up and in the near future Larry may be able to set aside his tools and concentrate on the thing he enjoys most – boxing.

"Since I was a kid I wanted to be a fighter." "You know how some boys want to be football or baseball players when they grow up, well I wanted to be a boxer". "That's why I'm in the game."

Some of Buck's interest may have come from his father who fought

Larry at work. (Far left) he sets a lovely lady's hair under the watchful eye of Chuck Pominak. (Right) he blasts Bob Baily into a second round kayo.

LARRY BUCK...

with draw against top ranking Andy Kendall.

professionally under the name of Buck Little back in the thirties. Some of his old posters, with prices beginning at 42 cents, still hang in the basement room of the Buck home. Now it's Larry's young son who at age 8 can't wait to put on the gloves. Every Saturday his dad brings him to the gym and lets him work out on the bags.

Larry Buck is cast in the mold of the classic boxer. Not a heavy puncher, he has had to outsmart and outbox his opponents. He utilizes his long reach, 77 inches, and snappy left jab to throw his adversaries off balance. But he is effective in infighting as well as on the outside. He received his basic training in the art of boxing during his long amateur career but didn't realize what a tough road lay ahead for him as a pro. He signed with George Chemeres, the manager of Eddie Cotton, who at the time was rated one of the best among the world's light-heavyweights. Buck sparred hundreds of rounds with Cotton. Several of these sessions resulted in cracked ribs for the novice Buck. But as Chemeres recalls recalls "he always came back for more. The tougher things got the harder Larry fought back. I had a hard time keeping him out of the ring, even when his ribs were still black and blue. That's when I knew he would be a good one."

With the trademark of a light hitting boxer rather than a puncher, promoters weren't exactly knocking down the doors trying to sign Buck for bouts. His manager, busy moving Cotton toward title fights, had little time to spend pushing Buck. When Cotton was ready to retire a heavyweight named Bill Schellhas came on the scene. His all-action, brawling style made him a big drawing card in Northwest rings and again Buck was on the sidelines, and boxing the preliminaries. When a trialhorse named Dick Gosha busted the Schellhas bubble, George Chemeres went over to the promotional side of the business.

This found Buck under contract to a group of Seattle businessmen headed by local amateur heavyweight Chuck Pominak. "Larry has the experience, is a strict trainer, and never has been in a bad fight. The people behind Buck feel they have a good horse going for them," said Pominak.

The group needed a professional to train and guide their fighter and hired Eddie Cotton. Not only did Eddie know all about his former stablemate but he knew the game of boxing. For their first outing they chose trialhorse Bob Bailey who fell in two on a Minneapolis show. The time seemed ripe for a bout with Portland's rugged Andy Kendall who was coming off a knockout at the hands of Bob "Superman" Foster. The bout was signed and preparations began for the biggest test in Buck's career. Kendall would provide the fans with an action fight but the big question was Buck ready for such a big step. Buck said he was. "I fight better when I'm the underdog."

A good match is one where the two styles produce an exciting bout. Also it helps if both sides are confident of victory. This bout was much more After ten grueling rounds the judges and fans alike were divided on which was the better man. All agreed, however, that it was the best fight they had seen in many years.

Buck and Kendall fought a torrid fight with plenty of action after the bell.

The 5 ft. 11 in. Buck makes good use of his reach advantages against his opponents.

Larry gives young Larry some pointers on the big bag while (below) the family looks over a poster advertising a fight of Larry's dad "Buck Little" in the thirties.

Kendall, who looks and fights like a large version of Carmen Basilio, at first was content to lay back and size up his taller but lighter opponent. After two rounds, during which Buck had used his reach and left jab to pile up points, Kendall opened up with his slashing left hooks and right hand leads that shook Buck on at least two occasions. Many of the 4,000 fans thought that an early ending was in sight as the third ended with a series of exchanges after the bell.

At the bell starting the fourth round an aroused Buck charged off his stool and caught Kendall coming out of his corner with several vicious body punches. The fighters fought "toe to toe" for the full three minutes. They didn't hear the bell over the roar of the enthusiastic crowd and continued fighting. This was Buck's biggest round. The momentum kept him in charge until the seventh round when Kendall seemed to be trying to end it with every punch. He bulled Buck from one rope to another but never could land a finishing punch on the rangy Buck. A cut opened up over Larry's left eye toward the end of the seventh and flowed freely the remainder of the fight.

Buck fought back gamely in the 8th and 9th and these rounds could easily be called even. Both men fought the last round like they knew they had to take it to win the fight. Buck was moving from side to side but mixed it up more and at times seemed to have Kendall in trouble with lefts to the body and hooks to his head. But Kendall seemed to come back and finished strong. When the bell rang for the final time punches continued to fly but this time the referee was ready and immediately stepped in to break up the melee. Both fighters embraced each other and appeared near exhaustion.

Only the referee had the courage to pick a winner. When his vote, 98-96 for Kendall, was announced the fans let him know they weren't from Portland. Judges in Washington State are not paid officials. In fact it is an exaggeration to even credit these men with being officials. The scores of 96-96 and 99-99 indicate that at least one judge was confused enough to call 8 rounds even. Buck had a clear margin in the first, second, and fourth while Kendall won the third and seventh big. The remaining five rounds were anyone's guess. It seems to this ringsider that Buck had built up enough points to win but the question of whether he lost points for hitting after the bell or whether each man had lost the same number of points was not answered by the officials.

The rough tactics used by Buck and the courage showed in this fight have aroused the interest of Northwest fans enough to make Buck a popular attraction for the first time in his career. It would seem that Larry Buck is one of those boxers who blossom late. At 28, an age where most fighters are looking toward retirement, Buck's career seems just beginning to unfold.

Larry, wife Dollie, daughter Lorie, 10, and son Lawrence, 8.

RUSTY ORTIZ TURNS BACK LEITE

Ex-Lightweight Champ Returns After 17 Months as Welterweight

by MARSHALL REED

It was sharp left hooks like this that earned Ortiz his victory.

Leite's left jab was surprisingly effective against Carlos, who showed plenty of ring rust.

Rusty was the word for Carlos Ortiz as the former world lightweight and junior welterweight champion made his first start in seventeen months and squeaked and creaked to a majority decision victory over Edmundo Leite, welterweight champion of Brazil, in a dull, clinch-filled ten-rounder at Madison Square Garden.

Nowhere in evidence were the flashy combinations, the crackling left jabs, the accurate counter punches or the nimble footwork that were an integral part of the Ortiz armament in his heyday.

Instead, as the 33-year-old New Yorker made his first start as a welterweight (he scaled 144½) he was throwing one punch at a time, was frequently off the mark, even with his jabs, and he expended most of his energy in tying up Leite.

The 8,731 fans who had paid $37,656, were not entertained by the drab bout. They booed, they whistled, they set off a few firecrackers, but it did not get much better.

Ortiz himself rated his performance at "only 35 percent of the real Carlos Ortiz" and the question for him to ponder is whether he'll be able to find the 65 percent that went astray.

As for Leite, the 146-pounder from Sao Paolo was unable to generate much of an attack. He appears to do his best work at close range, but whenever he got within reach of Ortiz's arms he found himself tied up.

Ortiz's hit-and-grab tactics started in the very first round. He'd throw a couple of jabs, then lock up Leite, and the best the 27-year-old South American could do inside was to tap Ortiz on the head with his right from time to time.

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BOXING BULL FROM KERR'S KORNER

BY LEE KERR

Superboss Abe Glick is a unique hombre in the publishing business. Since I began my association with Boxing Illustrated, honest Abe has afforded me complete and full freedom to express my views even when they differed with his . . . Never once has an effort been made to muzzle me, not even on those occasions when I have had kind comments to make about our rival boxing publications, a first, I believe, for a major league mitt mag of the stature of Boxing Illustrated.

I am extremely grateful for being offered these opportunities to say my pieces without Front Office pressures being exerted . . . I will continue to call the shots from my own vantage point. The opinions which I have stated, and will persist in presenting, are mine and mine alone and not necessarily those of the Publishers . . . Therefore, should you have a gripe against any of my comments, please pitch it to me and not the Front Office.

Justifiably it can be said that I am a rebel within the ranks of BI in that I am no more likely to change my views for them any sooner than I would for any members of my Korner Krew unless they can present their opposing cases strongly enough, through logic, to cause me to alter my stand. My mind remains open (vacant?) 24 hours a day and I welcome dissension with open arms. I admit to being wrong many times in the past and I see no reason why I can't, in the future, suffer other lapses in judgment . . . Whenever you feel that this has occurred don't hesitate to give the Michigan Kid a nudge. I don't bite; not since the year of the Great Storm when I had to hock my choppers for eating money, which partially explains my sometimes preference for a liquid diet . . . Your case in point had better be a winner, though, if you want to pull me over to your side. A thoroughly convincing argument can make this not only probable, but possible as well . . . A Know-It-All I've never been and the longer I'm on the scene the less certain I become about anything. I like to think that my mind is malleable and not certified silly putty as some of my detractors might have one believe. Should the day ever arrive when my mind loses this flexibility I'll redeem my teeth and hock my typewriter for a soapbox. If we can get a good haggle going I'll try to present both sides of the argument and let the Krew decide the winner.

HELP FOR THE LOST! – If ever you should become lost in the Boxing Jungle you might try finding your way by checking the moss on the north side of the long dormant Harold Johnson for guidance . . . Which will arrive first for this marvelous mitt mechanic, a Social Security check or a shot at the tiara he was deprived of in 1963? . . . Just why Johnson has been maliciously labeled "box office poison" I

Muhammad Ali is prepared for his upcoming role in the Broadway show, "Buck White," by musical director Merl Saunders (L) and Director Oscar Brown, Jr. (R).

Jess Willard, who died at 87, lived longer than any other former heavyweight champion.

couldn't know. It seems that his superb skills pitted against the bombs of Bob Foster would be of the classic boxer vs. banger mold from which leather legends spring eternal . . . Despite prolonged periods in drydock, the good ship Johnson remains ultra seaworthy, no doubt because Harold enters into training in far better condition than most boxers leave it. For sheer scientific skills I've never seen a big guy who had the edge over hapless Harold and I have scanned a scillion and a half sockers over the seasons . . . A Scillion is a scad of millions which could conceivably be a slight exaggeration or two.

Contrary to unfounded rumors, Harold Johnson has NOT retired from the ring. His friend and advisor, Lou Casselli, out of Philly, writes me that Harold would enjoy nothing better than a chance to swap swats with Dick Tiger, Jose Torres or Bob Foster, not necessarily in that order.

STAT STUFF: – The recent tragic loss of Rocky Marciano evoked a flood of mail as to the relative ages of the surviving heavyweight champions as well as letters of inquiry pertaining to the ages of deceased champs at the time of their demises. Below I have prepared a table to this effect which I hope will answer these questions in full.

LIVING CHAMPS	*(AGE)*
Jack Dempsey	(74)
Gene Tunney	(71)
Max Schmeling	(64)
Jack Sharkey	(67)
James J. Braddock	(64)
Joe Louis	(55)
Ezzard Charles	(48)
Jersey Joe Walcott	(56)
Ingemar Johansson	(37)
Floyd Patterson	(35)
Sonny Liston	(37)
Muhammad Ali	(28)
Ernie Terrell	(30)
Jimmy Ellis	(30)
Joe Frazier	(26)

DECEASED CHAMPS	*(AGE AT DEATH)*
John L. Sullivan	(59)
James J. Corbett	(76)
Robert Fitzsimmons	(55)
James J. Jeffries	(77)
Marvin Hart	(55)
Tommy Burns	(73)
Jack Johnson	(68)
Jess Willard	(87)
Primo Carnero	(60)
Max Baer	(50)
Rocky Marciano	(46)

The age average for heavyweight champions at the time of their death is slightly over 64 whereas the 1969 National Insurance average for American males is a shade over 68. No doubt the air accident death of Rocky Marciano cost boxing a couple of years in the averages. Then, too, one must remember that the age 68 national figure is based on *today's* averages which are lengthened somewhat by modern medicine, diets, etc., which were not available to Sullivan, Fitzsimmons and Hart. In all, it would seem that the deceased champions were a pretty hardy lot and that their rugged profession had no detrimental effects on them

Harold Johnson, ready, willing and able, but ignored . . .

insofar as longevity is concerned . . . Either way the figures are inconclusive but still worthy of debate around the potion that pleases, or is it the mug which muddles?

WHO? – Conflicting reports reaching my office claim both Scoop Gallello and Jersey Jones as President of the National Veteran Boxers Association. Both camps boast of some illustrious backers and I think the only fair way tc settle the issue would be for venerable Jersey to pit his experience against the stylish Scoop in a go-for-broke battle . . . Then if we could get heavyweights Jimmy Ellis, Joe Frazier and maybe Muhammad Ali, Jr. welters Pedro Adigue and Nicolino Locche, Jr. lightweights Rene Barrientos and Hiroshi Kobayashi, featherweights Johnny Famechon and Sho Saijyo and flyweights Efren "Alacran" Torres and Bernabe Villacampo to do the same thing we once again would have complete harmony within the ranks of ringdom . . . Or is that asking a mite too much?. . . Probably by the time this copy makes print some of the above names will have been supplanted by others, but it really makes little difference. The situation remains stagnated and the sorry thing is that no one who should care seems to at all. As a result boxing continues to suffer the agonies of creeping apathy from the public, a condition which seems to be reaching epidemic proportions . . . The next time you go to a barber shop canvas the house on who the world's lightweight champion is. If you bat better than .250 I'll send you a personally endorsed I.O.U. covering the tip.

RAP: – This month's Rap is a blanket injunction directed at the managers and promoters who deliberately and continually slip their local newspapers loaded record data, padded heavily to favor the imported opposition brought in as a sacrificial goat for their local house fighters as record-fattening fodder. This shoddy practice of suckering in the unitiated does neither their reputations, nor that of boxing, any good . . . I think such wheeler-dealers ought to be open to legal action for misrepresenting the product (their fights) which they sell to the public. To me this is akin to laying out heavy loot for a rare vintage wine only to get the jug home and find it to be the same sort which retails for 49 cents a gallon on Skid Row.

RAVE: – All the credit in the world should be given the preliminary punchers who come out swinging like a world crown is on the line. They sock each other. They rock each other and they bleed all over the joint to please the patrons.

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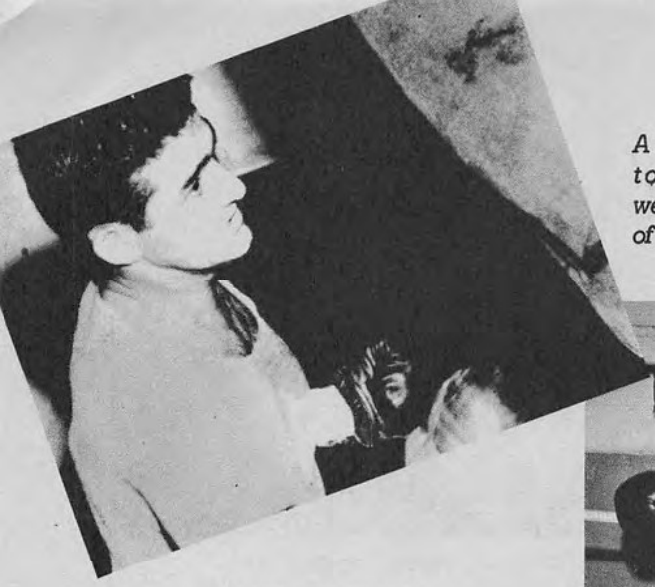
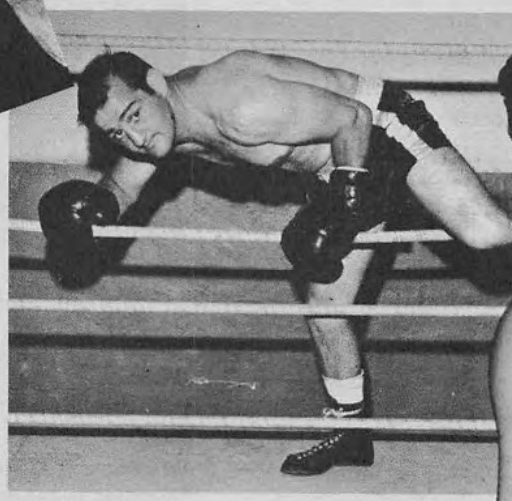


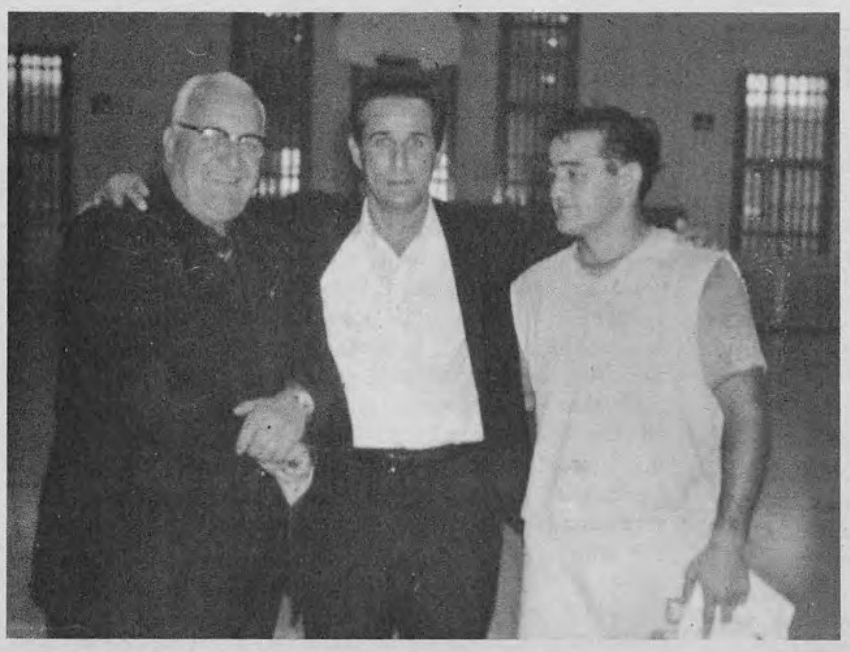
A stranger in his own home town – Canastota, N.Y. – welterweight Dick DiVeronica has done most of his campaigning in far-off rings.



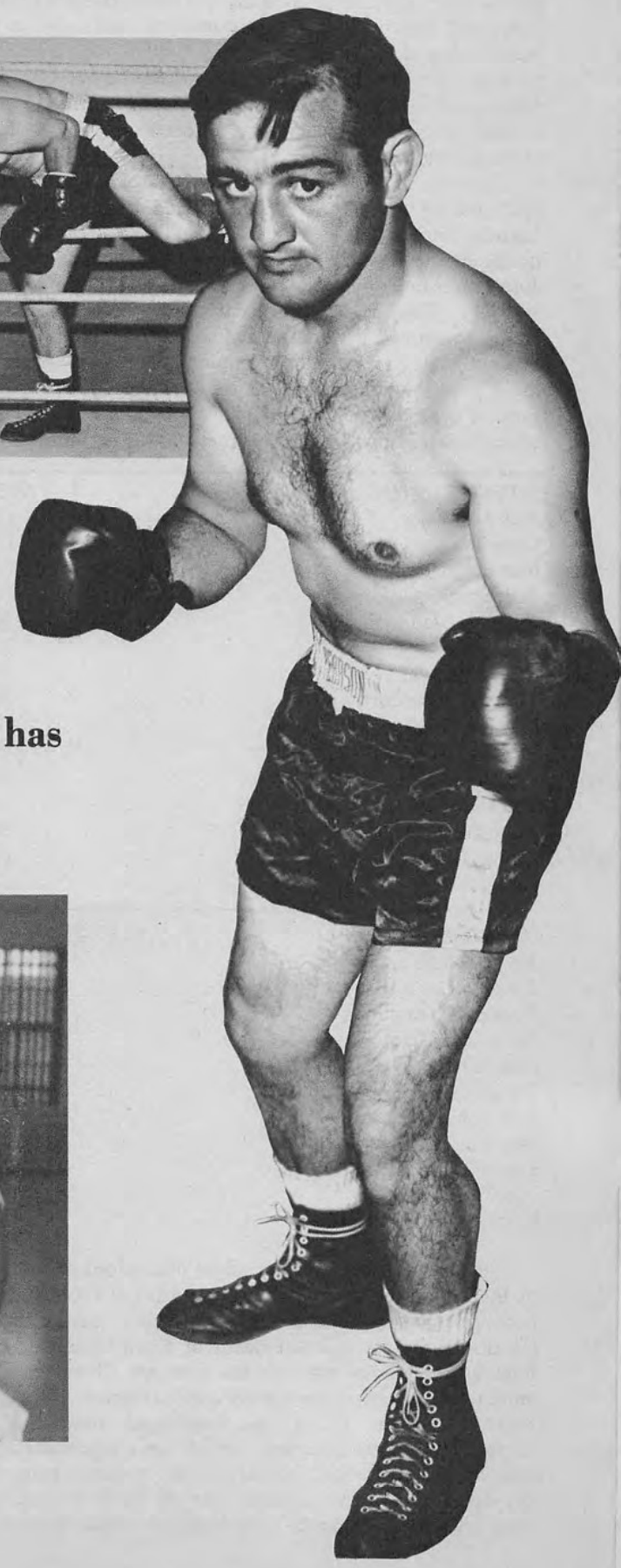
"I MAY BE DOWN, BUT I'M FAR FROM OUT!"

Tough Little Dickie DiVeronica still has faith and he is a Mets' fan too. . .

by ALLEN LONG



Joe Netro, Eli Hanover, and Dick DeVeronica.



"Have you ever read the novel by Edward Everett Hale called 'The Man Without a Country'?" Dick DiVeronica asked me recently.

I yielded an affirmative answer.

"For over five years now," the peppery welterweight continued, "that title could accurately summarize my boxing career."

DiVeronica wasn't exaggerating. Syracuse is easily the metropolis of his native territory. It also rates as the sole place around central New York where professional boxing avoids being something that curious residents can learn about only from impersonal sources like radio, television and the printed page. Live shows – seven during 1968 and three in the first half of 1969 alone – are actually held there. But up until this past July 11th, DiVeronica hadn't appeared in a local ring since April 18, 1964 A vocational exile that positively could not be termed self-imposed.

Canastota, the tranquil Madison County community where the magnificent Carmen Basilio was born and raised, is merely a forty-minute automobile ride away from the hustle and bustle of downtown Syracuse. Surrounded by agriculturally rich soil, Canastota possesses a widespread reputation as a prime onion farming center. At last count, approximately five thousand individuals dwell within Canastota's boundaries. Among them are Billy Backus and Dickie DiVeronica, hence furnishing Canastota an additional distinction: It currently has more top-flight welterweights whan any other spot on the globe.

Like Backus, boxing never remotely approached being a boyhood obsession with DiVeronica. In fact, even the most publicized fights didn't truly excite him. Football was his premier athletic love. Despite standing less than five feet six inches and failing to tip the scales much past the 130-pound mark, DiVeronica excelled on the seldom conquered Canastota High School gridiron teams of the mid-1950's. Many townsmen still remember "Double D" as a scampering, tricky offensive halfback. A linebacker on defense, he could have been authentically dubbed a miniature Dick Butkus. "But where was I going at my size?" he said not long ago. "Heck, I've only fought one guy as short as me in my entire career."

This photo was taken at the Carmen Basilio-Gene Fullmer fight in San Francisco in 1959. In top row (L-R) are Joe Netro, Angelo Dundee and DiVeronica. Bottom row, Basilio, Julie Isaacson and Johnny DeJohn, Dickie's advisor.

Dickie's on his way to a fifth-round kayo of Al Sewell in one of his infrequent appearances in Syracuse, which is just a few minutes from Canastota, the community which gave the world Carmen Basilio and Billy Backus, in addition to DiVeronica.

DiVeronica was also a crack scholastic wrestler, thrice reaping sectional laurels. He didn't neglect the educational side, either. A diligent student, he compiled a lofty enough overall average to qualify for acceptance to almost any college in the country. He ultimately selected Cornell, an eminent Ivy League institution in Ithaca, N. Y.

In September, 1956, DiVeronica enrolled as an engineering major at the scenic, spacious campus "high above Cayuga's waters." The ensuing June, he departed for the traditional warm weather break, sincerely planning to return as a sophomore in the autumn.

At home, Carmen Basilio was zealously preparing for his initial war with Sugar Ray Robinson. Dickie watched Basilio train daily, The total operation deeply fascinated the teenager. Soon, he decided he just had to attempt boxing himself.

Both Dickie's father and mother immigrated to the United States from Italy in 1929. They certainly didn't want their youngest son to quit Cornell. Neither were they precisely ecstatic over the idea of him entering the ring. However, they are understanding parents who have always respected all their children's seriousness and ambition. Consequently, they didn't block Dickie's path.

Dickie's amateur phase was phenomenally brief. It started and terminated with the 1958 Adirondack A. A. U. Sweepstakes. He captured the novice lightweight blue ribbon.

That same spring, Dickie turned pro by walloping Carl Schroeder. He went on to five more victories before 1958 ended. In 1959, he accumulated thirteen wins without a setback. The chief victim during this unbeaten streak was Tommy Tibbs, the veteran

New England spoiler.

In 1960, Dickie finally tasted defeat. He dropped a pair of slender verdicts to a promising fellow upstater, Buffalo's Jackie Donnelly. In between the Donnelly duels, he whipped Tommy Pacheco and Gene Fullmer's brother, Jay. The latter affair was telecast nationally by the Columbia Broadcasting System.

DiVeronica commenced 1961 in prosperous fashion, by speedily collecting three conquests: Tony Christy (WD8), Henry Hickman (KO5) and tough Marcel Bizien (WD8). Then experienced Johnny Bizzarro and Freddie Martinovich, the durable ex-Hungarian freedom fighter, edged him.

On August 5, DiVeronica traveled to Ogden, Utah, for a semi-final tilt with Don Adamson prior to the Gene Fullmer-Florentino Fernandez middleweight championship setto. Adamson's braintrust probably wished DiVeronica had stayed in the East, because he accorded their boy a genuine shellacking.

A jubilant DiVeronica headed toward Canastota, dreaming of substantially larger purses. Uncle Sam, however, had a completely different agenda arranged for his immediate future. He was drafted.

Following basic infantry training, Dickie was assigned to special services and shipped to West Germany. He took over as the Seventh Army boxing coach. Mel Turnbow, a mammoth heavyweight from New Jersey with professional aspirations, became his prize pupil.

DiVeronica got his honorable discharge on August 15, 1963. He had no fights while stationed abroad. He had personally contacted various European promoters, but found them all apathetic unless he desired to meet continental ranked gladiators in their own backyards for paltry sums. Practically needless to mention, DiVeronica didn't.

By February 1964, DiVeronica was ready for action once again. Before June, he had defeated the tenacious Pete Toro, Canada's Jimmy Meilleur, Tommy Garrison, Les Bagi, Al Sewell and Larry Wright.

DiVeronica was anticipating a busy summer against elevated competition. Suddenly, though, he discovered he couldn't even purchase a decent bout. His reputation as an aggressive, yet cagey warrior frightened off the managers of potential rivals. To support himself, he joined a construction crew on a full-time basis.

In December, 1965, DiVeronica moved to Miami Beach and launched a comeback. During his Florida sojourn, a relative introduced him to an attractive blonde visitor from Manhattan named Janine Piron. She is now Mrs. DiVeronica.

In the succeeding 25 months, DiVeronica licked Herman (Scatterhawk) Dixon, Gordon Lott, Grady Pondei, Peter Schmidt, Severe Balboa and Herbie Lee twice. He lost on four occasions. Each blot was questionable and three were avenged.

Involuntary idleness plagued DiVeronica anew in 1968. He was able to fight just four times.

Unbeaten Gypsy Joe Harris, numerous pugilistic sages agreed, was the swiftest rising star of the welterweight division when he met DiVeronica. Some even characterized him as an uncrowned king, for the previous spring, Harris had trimmed the then universally recognized ruler, Curtis Cokes, in a non-title bout.

Harris versus DiVeronica materialized at the former's regular haunt, Philadelphia. Although, Harris eventually pocketed a unanimous nod, the scrap proved close the whole way. Justifiably, Johnny DeJohn, Dickie's most trusted advisor, solicited a prompt encore. Gypsy Joe's camp issued a negative reply.

It was 115 days before DiVeronica acquired another payday. Johnny Knight provided that test. According to one non-partisan front row observer, DiVeronica all but swept the rugged Knight off his feet several times, while plucking a lopsided decision.

Against Leroy Roberts, DiVeronica established beyond suspicion that he was a dangerous puncher. Appropriately nicknamed the Hurricane, Roberts erupted fast. By 2:20 of the opening stanza, he had already repelled a half dozen DiVeronica charges with a penetrating counter attack. DiVeronica was flinching conspicuously. A couple of moments later, Roberts was in a prone position on the canvas, colder than an iceberg.

Boldly advancing straight at DiVeronica, Roberts threw a wild blow. "Dickie had angled himself perfectly to the left flank," Johnny DeJohn avows, "packing up the right that he let fly as Roberts' shot fell off target. Dickie's jolt landed flush on Roberts' chin. Roberts collapsed, his eyes sealed shut. He hadn't even stuck out an elbow or a hand to try and soften the fall."

Ultra-agile Percy Pugh was DiVeronica's last opponent for 1968. They collided in Baltimore. Hearing that the Louisiana fancy dan had pulled out a split triumph, a towering portion of the audience became visibly and orally flabbergasted.

Pennsylvania's Al Massey received an early 1969 trouncing from DiVeronica. It was Dickie's 41st win.

Dickie's bliss was brief. In the space of a few weeks, Willie Munoz and David Melendez cancelled slated contests with him at Madison Square Garden's Felt Forum. Then a DiVeronica-Jean Josselin pairing for Paris never got beyond the talking stage.

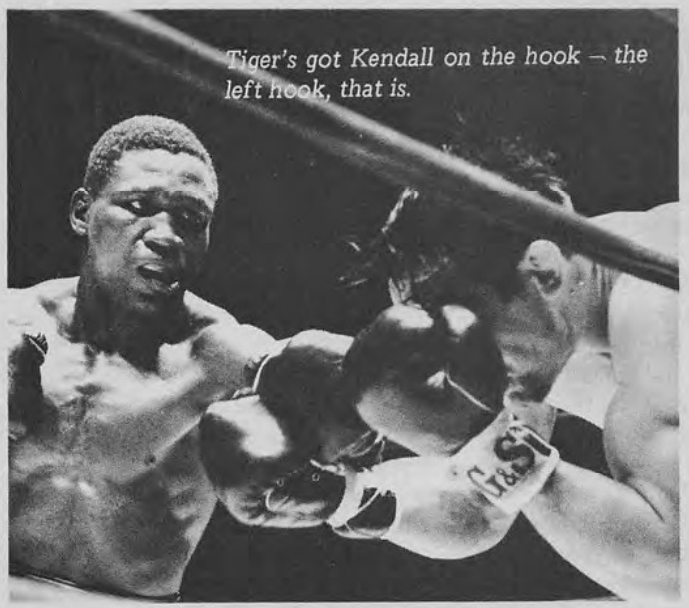
Syracuse was originally listed to welcome DiVeronica back in May, but the show was postponed at the last minute when enough preliminaries couldn't be arranged.

Shortly after that major disappointment, DiVeronica flew to San Juan, Puerto Rico, to meet a familiar foe, Pete Toro. Surviving a severe cut under his right eye, Toro annexed the nod.

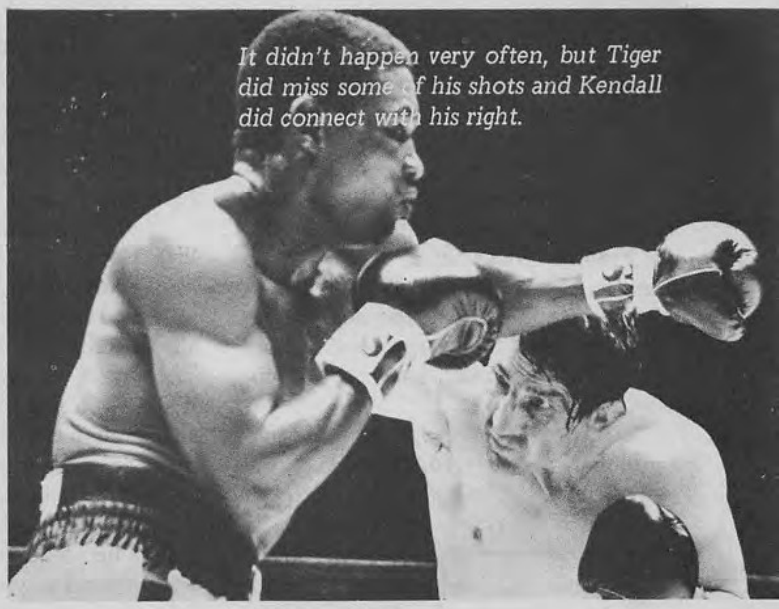
Classy Emile Griffith and a poor gate ruined DiVeronica's greatly overdue homecoming. Although he was behind on all three official scorecards, Dickie provided the thrice welterweight and twice middleweight monarch of the world with an interesting evening until the referee prematurely stopped the proceedings during the seventh round.

Dickie bounced back to easily whip Marcel Bizien in Jersey City, N. J., and won himself a home away from home, as the promoters will be bringing him back again soon.

In late summer DiVeronica's wife gave birth to their second child, one of his registered Pointer hunting dogs had a litter of puppies, he captured an area golf tournament and the Canastota Contracting Company he runs with three older brothers was enjoying a successful season. Furthermore, DiVeronica is keeping in excellent physical condition. He still passionately feels that it will be a long, long time before anybody reads his boxing obituary. So, welterweights beware!



Tiger's got Kendall on the hook – the left hook, that is.



It didn't happen very often, but Tiger did miss some of his shots and Kendall did connect with his right.

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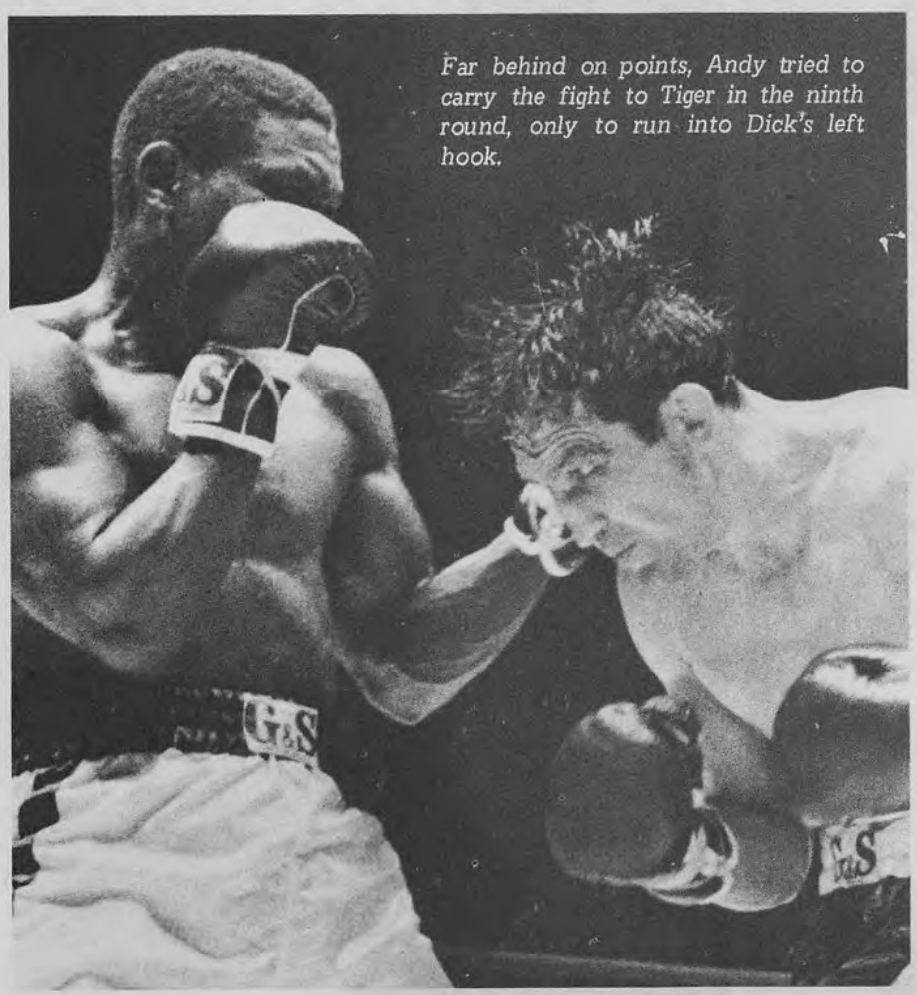
Kendall a Flop In Garden Debut

by MARSHALL REED



Far behind on points, Andy tried to carry the fight to Tiger in the ninth round, only to run into Dick's left hook.

In his 17-year career, Dick Tiger has had hard fights and he's had easy ones, but few could have been much easier for the old warrior from Biafra than his 10-round "workout" win over Andy Kendall of Portland, Oregon.

Whether it was "Garden jitters" as a first-time performer there, or just that Tiger was just that much too good for him, Kendall, 175¾, provided little or no opposition for Dick, who scaled 168½, his heaviest poundage ever.

"I don't know what was wrong," said Kendall later. "But I sure was lousy."

None of the 6,083 fans, who paid an announced $26,000, would have disagreed with that assessment. The "Scappoose Express" was a slow freight.

As for Tiger, ex-middleweight and light heavyweight champion who celebrated his fortieth birthday the previous August, and was appearing in the Garden for the sixteenth (it was his twelfth win there), he was strictly business . . . as usual.

Without having to contend with any pressure, Dick set his own pace – a deliberate one – but stayed busy enough all the way to earn 9-1

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HE PUT IN WHAT HE GOT OUT-

The Story Of Willie Ritchie

PART TWO

BY LE PACINI

After Willie Ritchie lost the lightweight championship of the world to Freddie Welsh in a controversial London 20-rounder in 1914, he had 19 more fights during the next three years and was then appointed boxing instructor for the Army at Camp Lewis, Washington.

At this juncture, an unusual circumstance emerged. It marked the only time in Willie's life that his personal integrity was questioned.

Ritchie had been one of the first to enlist after the United States entered World War I. Willie, an adventuresome soul who had spent several periods of his youth touring the country with medicine shows, had always had an itch to be a flyer and signed up with the U. S. Signal Corps, which at the time was in charge of air operations. While awaiting orders, Willie had to earn a living, so he kept fighting.

In the interim, he was asked by the War Department to act as a boxing instructor for the Army. Willie informed Washington that he was already enlisted in the Signal Corps. The next thing he heard from Washington was that he had been given an Honorable Discharge and appointed civilian boxing instructor under Special Services at Camp Lewis.

Willie reported to Camp Lewis and before he could give his first lesson he encountered a typical Selective Service faux pax – he was drafted and told to report to his San Francisco board for a physical. Willie obligingly returned and was declared 4-F because of a punctured ear drum.

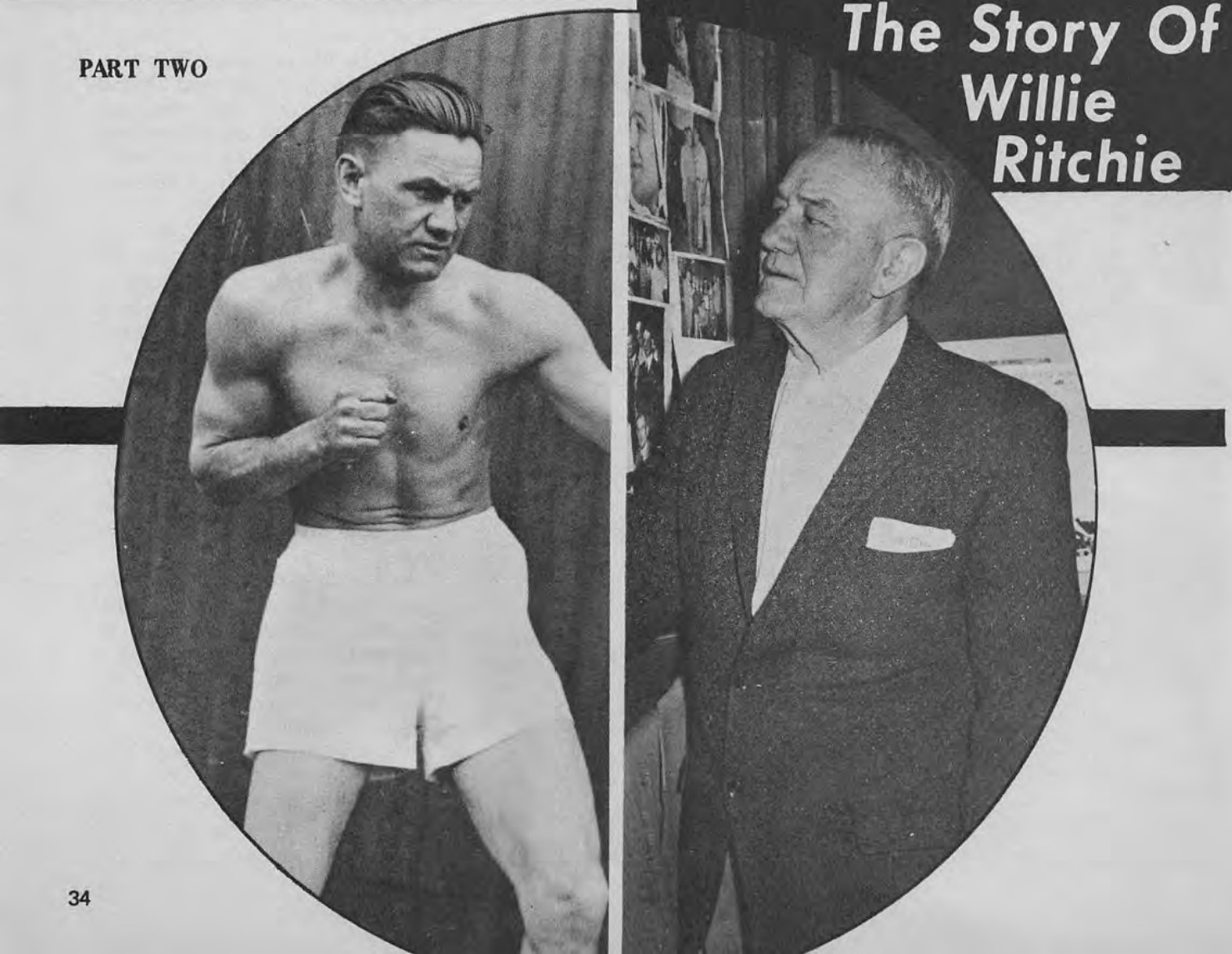
"How can I be physically unfit to fight guys hundreds of yards away from me in trenches when I've been meeting 'em head 'n head for years," declared Willie, ignoring the more valid yet less believable argument that he had already been honorably discharged and had, in effect, been drafted out of the Army into the Army.

Doctors explained the dangers of ear infection in the field and sent Willie back home, from where he left again for Camp Lewis.

What happened to Ritchie thereafter has happened to many athletes who were not actually in the armed services during war time. He was accused of being a slacker.

That he had enlisted, had been exempted by direct orders from Washington, and was, on top of it all, 4-F, meant nothing to the armchair patriots.

The finisher came just before the



Ritchie is a relaxed person who is a joy to talk to about the "good old days."

Armistice. Willie had contacted Spanish Flu and was in serious condition in a base hospital when a visiting friend showed him clippings of news stories splashed all over front pages in St. Louis, telling about how former lightweight champ Willie Ritchie had slugged a drunk in a bar.

The Paris edition of the New York Herald had picked up the story and blared headlines: "Ritchie Would Rather Fight in U. S. Bars Than in Trenches of France."

What had really happened was that a soldier named Willie Richards from Camp Lewis had been passing through St. Louis, and it was he who had engaged in the fisticuffs. Just as a printing error had mutated Willie Richardson's name, so had another "typo" done the same to Willie Richards.

Willie Ritchie later got retractions and called World War I a draw.

Following his appointment at Camp Lewis and subsequent release after the war, Willie had seven fights in brief comeback attempts between ventures in vaudeville, the business world, refereeing and sports promoting, quit the ring once and for all at age 36 in 1927, and in 1934 settled into a career as a California State Athletic Commission boxing inspector. In 1937 he became Chief Inspector, and what he encountered and how he coped with it until his mandatory retirement in 1962 has inspired boxing historians to write that Ritchie did more to clean up the hoodlum element in California boxing than any Chief Inspector in history. In 1952 the hoods and politicians were waging such a war with Willie that, for his own safety, his LA office was moved to San Francisco, from where he continued his crusade to purify boxing. He fought not only the hoods, but official laxity, as well. One of his major achievements was to insure that no fighter with eye damage would ever fight in California.

When Ritchie retired Nat Fleischer said, "No official in boxing can boast of the excellent record of Ritchie . . ."

At a time when all he should be worried about is his golf and bowling scores, Ritchie is still concerned about boxing. One of his main concerns is the California law which doesn't allow amateurs to begin boxing until 18.

"That's a bad law," he says. "Most states allow boys to officially begin amateur boxing at 16. As a consequence, when California boys meet boys from such states in national tournaments, they're not only liable to get outclassed, but they're also liable to get hurt."

And that isn't the only reason the rule's bad, contends Ritchie.

"By the time a kid's 18, if he's really interested in boxing, he wants to go pro. He's at an age when he needs money. As a result, he hasn't gotten any of the basic schooling. He's picked up bad habits, perhaps, that he won't have time to eliminate. He's too impatient to learn anything new, to drill, to really work to develop his full potential.

"That's one of the things that made Cassius Clay great. He had many anateur fights before he turned pro.

"The more a boy's in the ring against ACTUAL competition, the less chance he has of getting hurt."

And, says Ritchie, it's more the public than the promoters or the "gangsters" or television who have made boxing the generally artless sport it is today.

"They want sluggers," he says. "They don't appreciate classic boxing like they used to in my day. If a kid nowadays shows a little fancy footwork, slips some punches, throws a classy jab, they boo."

This photo taken at the Old Timers dinner in 1967. (L-R) Ritchie, Mason Griffen, Eddie Chavez, Joe Herman, Babe Griffen and Young Corbett III (below). Willie checking the weight of Bobo Olson as Joe Rindone looks on.

Ritchie traces the origin of this philosophy as far back as the days of the "technically" amateur four-rounders in the '10's and '20's. In those times, professional boxing to a decision was illegal in most states. "Thrown" fights in the past had almost killed boxing completely and the "no decisions" were a feeble attempt to control the gambling influence.

("Two of the most notorious fixes," says Ritchie, "were the Joe Gans – Terry McGovern fight in 1900, when Gans dove – and that one did ban boxing in Illinois for a number of years; and the Jim Corbett – Kid McCoy fight in 1898, when McCoy laid down for Corbett so Jim could get a crack at winning the title back from Jeffries. That one was one of the major factors in killing boxing in New York for years.")

Willie points with pride at the 40-year-old photo of his arm being raised in triumph when he beat Ad Wolgast.

The chinks in the "no decisions", however, were considerable. Boxers had two choices. They could be "professionals" and engage in "no decisions" of almost any length, or be amateurs and fight decision four-rounders. The rules were leisurely, though, as to what constituted an amateur. Any pro who wished to fight a four-rounder merely declared himself an amateur, and that settled the problem.

Even the "no decision" fights failed to cause gamblers any grief because of the newspaper decisions, by which gamblers formed gentlemen's agreements to abide. This, as one might imagine, put sports writers in all types of interesting positions.

Willie, as chief inspector, checked Rocky Marciano after his 1955 kayo triumph over Don Cockell in San Francisco.

Because four-rounders were such relatively easy ways for pros to pick up pay checks quick and often, there were many of them. These four-rounders brought into prominence many ungainly club fighters who knew little about boxing, but who were courageous competitors who liked to slug for 12 minutes – men like fat Willie Meehan, Ritchie's boyhood pal who made a career of beating Jack Dempsey in four rounders.

Ritchie's point is that four-round fighters, knowing they had only – at most – 12 minutes to last, did nothing but punch from the opening bell. There was no finesse, no pacing required. Fans loved it, especially when the slugfests produced many upsets because of well-known fighters used to longer bouts taking on whirlwind local favorites and suddenly finding themselves overwhelmed before they even had a chance to warm up.

"I used to shadow box four or five rounds in my dressing room before those four rounders," says Ritchie – who had a good record in the short matches – "so that I'd be broken into a sweat when I got to the ring. Some guys like Dempsey never learned the trick and were beaten by fighters who wouldn't have stood a chance against them in 10 rounders."

Fans, then, feels Ritchie, got used to slugging in those four round days and apparently never essentially changed their tastes.

"But things are getting better," he says. "Small clubs, places where kids can learn their trade, are getting back into business, and I think promoters have learned their lesson about over-exposing boxing on television.

Ritchie is 78, but in top shape and this is one of the reasons why.

"But," he adds, "it's going to be a long, uphill climb, this time, because there's so much more competition for the sports dollar than in boxing's golden days.

"Cassius Clay, if he had done things differently, might have made a big difference."

"I honestly believe he would have proven himself one of the truly great heavyweight champions.

"It makes you sick to think what he could have been to boxing and what he could have accomplished.

"Boxing still needs reforms. A national commissioner, for instance, a respected and well known person, one who knows the game inside out from first hand knowledge, such as Rocky Marciano, or a Jack Dempsey."

Or, he might have added, a Willie Ritchie. ♦ ♦ ♦

LOCAL FAVORITES

DUB MANIS

The fight coach, that is what Dub Manis, the Golden Greek heavyweight contender from Abilene, Texas, is known as. Manis turned pro this year after a long and successful amateur career in which he won 57 of 62 bouts, scoring 48 kayos. Has a seven won, 1 lose mark. All of his victories have come via the K. O. route, four in the first round and the others in the second.

Only the veteran Max Martinez, who stayed the limit with him, has been able to take his measure and Dub is ready and willing for a second go at Martinez. Tall, dark and handsome, the 6ft. 2in., 210-pounder is a baseball, and football high school coach in Abilene when not throwing leather.

ART ALDERETE

Rated by some as the best young middleweight in the world today. Art only twenty, from Phoenix, Arizona, recently gained the state title by knocking out the crafty veteran, Charlie "Bad News" Austin, in ten rounds. It was his fifteenth straight pro win, and eleventh kayo. Coming on the heels of a five round kayo of tough Rocky Hernandez it surely has put the "can't miss" stamp on the heavy-fisted youngster who has been a pro for only eighteen months following a fine amateur career. He is ready to move up in class and should be a name to reckon with in 1970.

DICK STEELE

In Los Angeles he is called "Man of Steele."

One look at Jackie McCoy's tall, tremendously-muscled 21-year-old lightheavyweight will tell you why. He's built like Superman.

Dick Steele is what old-timers would call a *heavy-handed* puncher. Everything he throws is hard. It's even money around Los Angeles that some day he'll stiffen somebody with a left jab.

The 1966 L. A. Golden Gloves winner has won ten of eleven as a pro, losing only to Terry Lee. Included among his kayo victims were Gene Turner, Floyd Case, Henry Fox, Scott Wisooker, Chuck Hamilton, and Mark White.

EDDIE MAZON

Rapidly becoming one of San Diego's most popular fighters, 18-year-old Eddie Mazon is a fine lightweight prospect. Active in amateur boxing in Mexicali, Mexico, Mazon turned professional last year and fought in Mexico and Nevada. At present he has lost only once in 16 fight-for-pay bouts.

Since moving to San Diego, Mazon has knocked out Herb LaRosa and Raul Garcia, lost a close one to Alvin Lewis and upset previously unbeaten Jimmy Ligons.

Mazon has a world of class and talent in the ring. He has the moves of a seasoned fighter, makes few mistakes, has an excellent left jab, strong right hand and counters at split second openings. Unlike many young Mexican fighters, Mazon does not fight wildly when hurt but keeps cool and outwits his opponents.

Duke's in the thick of things when boxing is the subject of conversation. (L-R) Joey Giardello, Ernie Durando, Stefano, Jimmy Colotto and Danny Rubino.

Writer Pat Greene listens in as Duke sets up a match with Manny Gonzalez, who manages a stable of topflight Puerto Rican fighters.

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MEET MR. MATCHMAKER ---DUKE STEFANO

by CARTHRINE GREENE

Boxing is big business. Madison Square Garden and its affiliate, the Felt Forum, gross over 2 million dollars a year. But most fight fans never give a single thought to the hard work that goes into putting a show together.

"Making matches or fight shows is different than any other business in the world," said Duke Stefano, an affable fellow with a ready smile. "You have to do business with everyone — even if you don't like them. Some of the nicest fighters have managers who take a great deal of diplomatic handling. When I get ready to put on a show, first I look for a name drawing card. Then I try to find an opponent who'll provide a good fight and enhance the attraction. Then I've got to be a diplomat, and get both managers to agree to the fight. It sounds easy, but sometimes it takes weeks of meetings and phone calls before I can put together a good, crowd-pleasing show."

Duke Stefano is rated one of the best-liked guys on the fight beat. On his desk there are several interesting wood carvings, gifts from friends and souvenirs of his travels; and a

telephone that never stops ringing. Managers looking for Garden shows for their fighters, newspapermen seeking information, other promoters checking on the Garden's future attractions.

One of his callers was Boxing Illustrated's own Ben Greene, who calls everyone "John." "Don't call me John!" roared the assistant matchmaker of Madison Square Garden. Being an intrepid girl reporter, we naturally had to find out the origin of his real nickname, "Duke." Was he, we inquired, really descended from Italian royalty? Tony "Duke" Stefano laughed. "When I was 6 or 7 years old they put me up to fighting the kids from another block — bet big money on me — and when I won, they called me Duke."

The phone rings again and one has time to ponder the neat, spacious office in the new Madison Square Garden of Duke Stefano. On the wall is an impressive gold plaque shaped like the state of New Jersey, given to Duke by the Jersey Boxing Writers Association for "Meritorious Service to Boxing." There are other plaques, citations he's received for the many benefit shows he's staged, and reproductions of columns on his achievements.

"I've been with the Garden for 17 years now. And the funny thing is — I never had any idea of being a matchmaker." Duke puts together most of the boxing shows seen in the Garden, the Felt Forum, and Sunnyside Garden. He had a hand in when television was having the Friday night fights all over the country, and helped organize the shows at the old St. Nicholas Arena.

When the newest Madison Square Garden opened, he gleefully led visitors through its vastness, pointing out the unobstructed view from each seat in the house, and predicting that the riots that plagued the last years of the last Garden would not recur. "These seats cost $43 *each*!" And there are 18 thousand of them." Well, they are nailed down, so at least they won't be throwing them at you.

With a laugh, he recalled the time he was relaxing on the sofa at home in the old Greenwich Village. He heard his mother calling, "Tony! Tony!" and

There are mighty few boxing get-togethers in the New York-New Jersey-Pennsylvania area that Duke Stefano misses. Enjoying a laugh on the dais in Jersey are (L-R) Petey Scalzo, Jimmy Archer, sports editor Lud Shabazian, Duke and Pat Sullivan. Can you spot Jimmy Braddock and Joey Archer among the standees?

Looks as if Duke is taking one on the chin from Ron Marsh, before the latter's Madison Square Garden bout with Buster Mathis, but he's just checking out the Omaha, Neb., heavyweight. From left are Freddie Fierro, Leroy Green and sports writer Tim Moriarty.

wondered who she wanted. Suddenly her hefty Italian hand whacked the side of his head. "Big shot!" she blasted him. "Outside you're Duke! In the house, you're Tony!"

From the Village, Duke found his way into the Navy. The street fighting in his youth came in handy, for while he was stationed in Panama, he became champion in the flyweight division of the 15th District. He regrets now that he didn't take advantage of his stay in Panama to learn the language. "I really wish now that I had learned Spanish — it would be so helpful in talking to the young men I work with, instead of having to negotiate with their managers."

Later, when he entered the Army during World War II, he was stationed in Germany, and learned that language. The Army awarded him the Purple Heart, and asked him to run a GI sports program for 17 months.

"Don't Call Me John" Stefano tells us that his greatest pleasure in boxing came from the shows he ran in "The Smallest Fight Club in the World." Coming from the man who puts together the shows in the biggest, most impressive fight club in the world, his affection and nostalgia for the 700-seat club in Secaucus, New Jersey, is really hilarious.

Duke's pet projects are the trophies he has inaugurated to memorialize great fighters and reward young men on the way up. He started the Gus Lesnevich Memorial Trophy in honor of the light-heavyweight champion, and the Al Buck Memorial Trophy to commemorate the New York Post boxing scribe. He instituted the Barney Ross Trophy and is currently planning a salute to Rocky Marciano.

Duke is justly proud of the talent he has spotted and developed over the years. Having won the Golden Gloves himself, he finds this competition to be a major source of new talent. With well-merited pride, he reels off the names of the fighters who he's put into the big time. Frankie Narvaez. Donato Paduano. Irish Pat Murphy. Victor, Ruben, David, Bobby Melendez. Jose Torres. Joey Archer. Rubin Carter. Willie Burton. Willie Munoz. Pete Toro. He gave Emile Griffith his first 17 fights. The former welter and middleweight champion gives Duke credit for the fact that he held the welter crown three times and moved on to achieve the middleweight title.

Duke's primary source of relaxation is walking. He moves from his home in Astoria to Queens Plaza, 32 blocks, and in good weather continues from 57th Street down to the Garden. He'll travel miles to get a glimpse of a bright prospect, but prefers to relax on the South Jersey shore. His tan, the last time we saw him, was most impressive. He can be found occasionally in Toots Shor's, for whose bartenders he seems to have a healthy respect. He travels extensively, looking for new talent. "There are fewer clubs and gyms today where kids can develop. But there are still plenty of hungry guys who like to fight and have ability.

"What are the headaches of the job? Watching that the kids aren't in over their heads — that they don't get hurt."

With another laugh, Duke recounted the story of the young man who was having his first pro bout. His manager was all for taking on a novice, until Duke patiently explained that the "novice" had had 80 bouts in jail. "He's the champion of the can," this experienced matchmaker told him. ◆

RINGS around the world

BUGNER – TALHAMI
ROWE – DONOVAN
CLARK – ARNEL

LONDON, Eng. ... Britain's boy heavy, Joe Bugner, had a 36 lbs. advantage over the Miami-based Eddie Talhami (born in Bethlehem!) and the corner raging of Angelo Dundee could not save a surprisingly slim Talhami, who was counted out climbing to his feet in round four.

Talhami came as a sub for indisposed Roosevelt Eddie and for three rounds tripped a light fantastic until the tense Bugner decided to match his jab and begin to use his weight.

BAIRD – FULLMER

CLEVELAND, O. ... Doyle Baird, 162, Akron, O., gained a highly disputed ten-round split decision over Don Fullmer, 165, West Jordan, Utah, as big time boxing returned to the Cleveland Arena.

Fullmer and his manager, Angelo Curley, filed a protest with the commission but it was disallowed and rightfully so. Whether one agreed of disagrred with the verdict handed down by the officials, it was their judgment and had to stand.

Baird was the aggressor from start to finish, but the vast majority of his punches either missed their mark or

Bugner, at 19 with 19 wins, has the makings of a fighter, but requires cotton-wool treatment judging by the way he tends to turn his head aside and keeps his legs spread. Yet being able to outjab Talhami and finish him with a left-hook was sufficient to impress Dundee.

The Budapest-born Briton scaled 210 lbs. with an athletic frame and a willingness to learn. But he's strictly an L-plate heavyweight.

Middle Mark Rowe, a Cockney with an American style (he married a Washington girl) hammered Trinidad's Matt Donovan in nine rounds with manager George Gainford surprised at the decision. yet ref Wally Thom surely could have called a halt much earlier with gangling Donovan reduced to a punchbag, bleeding heavily from the mouth, and without hope of victory.

Rowe also finished with a left eye closed and realizing he could not produce a pay-ff to stop Matt's gallop. The Jamaican six-footer flicked his lefts but was hit heavily around the body and only a brave show kept him standing to be rescued.

Bantam Johnny Clark, of London, showed he's ready to take over from Alan Rudkin by the way he outpunched Manuel Arnel, of Caracas, another Gainford charge, over ten exciting rounds.

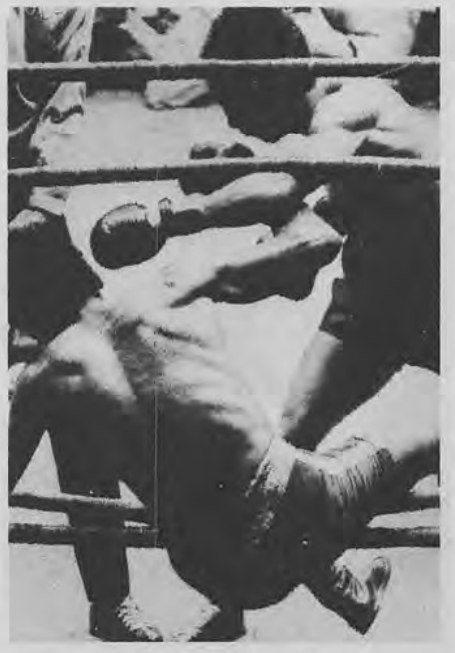
Clark's win was comfortable yet hard earned. Arnel had faced Ruben Olivares and obviously did not fear the Cockney kid. But Clark is a superb punch economy artist, cutting the corners and using a left-hook in champion style.

Arnel fought with spirit often reminding Clark that fights are not easily won in good class and both deserved the ovation at the finish.
landed on gloves and elbows, as Fullmer back-tracked and counter-punched throughout the whole fight.

Don pop-shotted his oncoming rival with a variety of blows and drew blood from the nose and mouth. In the ninth round he opened a deep cut over Baird's left eye. Both men were covered with blood the last two rounds.

Fullmer had drawn some early warnings from the referee for the use of his head, and Baird claimed that it was a butt that opened the cut.

Doyle's best round was the eighth when he broke through Fullmer's guard to land some solid shots, but he never had Don in any trouble. Baird never stopped trying and it was this plus the constant retreating tactics of Fullmer that influenced referee Don Gonzales (46-44) and judge John Fayonek (47-43). The other judge, Tony LaBranche, had it for Fullmer 47-46 which was about the way the majority of the press saw the fight.



Kobayashi – Canete

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Ernesto Marcel is destined for big things in boxing, manager Isaac Krech (below) firmly believes. Marcel already holds the bantam and feather titles in his native Panama.

Panamanian boxer has impressive record

MARCEL FOLLOWING

Isaac Kresch, second from left, shows off his fistic stable. That's "Nato" in dark shirt. The other fighters are Pinder and Amores. The future champ in front is only 11 years old.

By the time you read this, Panama's Ismael Laguna may again be back upon the lightweight throne. Whether he is or not, he did gain the world lightweight championship after holding the bantamweight and featherweight titles in his homeland and twenty one year old Ernesto "Nato" Marcel is following the same path towards the championship as did his illustrious countryman.

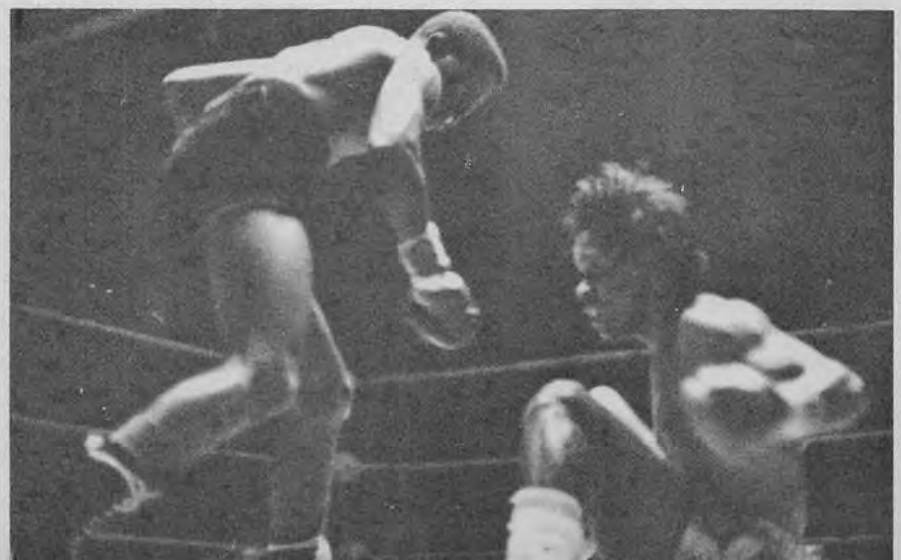
One of six boys in a family of seven children, he was born in a poor section of Colon on May 23, 1948. His street is nicknamed "Chicago town" and street fights and gang wars were a common occurrence.

Despite this it was through an accident that Ernesto got into the sport of boxing. As a young teenager he was an excellent basketball player, spending long hours at the playgrounds and gyms.

How he became a boxer is an interesting tale. He had traveled to the island of San Andres in Colombia with his teammates to take part in a basketball tournament that was part of an all-sports program. One of the boys on the Panamaian boxing team took sick and he was kidded by his friends into offering himself as a substitute. To the surprise of all he scored a knockout in the second round.

When he returned to Colon, he went to see Mr. Isaac Kresch, the well known and highly respected boxing

It's bombs away as Marcel unloads his kayo wallop on veteran bantamweight contender Bernardo Caraballo of Colombia, shown going down and out in the second round.



BY LEW ESKIN

IN LAGUNA'S FOOTSTEPS

Freddy Rengifo of Venezuela (above, right) gets the word from referee Sergio T. Lay before his bout with "Nato" and a few minutes later (below) he gets the message from Marcel. It was another impressive two-round knockout for the flashy Panamanian.

manager, and told him that he wanted to become a fighter.

"Nato" was just sixteen and weighed only ninety-five pounds, but he was sincere and thus began his amateur boxing career. He fought as an amateur for over two years and lost but once in twenty three fights.

The match he lost took place in Quito, Ecuador, and the weather was so cold that "Nato", used to the heat of Panama, was unable to do his best, yet he still says that he was the victim of a "home town" decision.

A month before his eighteenth birthday he made his pro debut as a one hundred-and-eight pounder by scoring a one round kayo over Valentin Worrell in Panama City.

He had six fights in 1966, and was undefeated, scoring two knockouts, winning three decisions and boxing a draw. He won three more fights, two by kayos, and won his first eight-rounder, a decision over Agustin Cedeno, before suffering his first defeat. That came against Miguel Riasco and took place in Colon, Marcel losing a split decision after eight rounds.

"Nato" had five fights in 1968, winning decisions over Ercarnacion Guerrero and Frank Leroy, and scoring kayos over Zenen Rios and Cedeno. He also lost to Cedeno prior to stopping him in the ninth round on December 21, 1968.

"It was the best Christmas present I ever had", Marcel said when he disposed of his rival.

This year has been a big one for Marcel. He has matured, growing from a small bantamweight into a solidly built one hundred and twenty-six pounder, and showing signs of soon becoming a full-fledged lightweight. He also has matured as a fighter.

Marcel started off the year with a ten-round decision over the veteran Camy Beto, then came kayos over Juvencio Guerrero, Eliodoro Pitalua and Eugenio Hurtado. The latter bout, which took place in Colon on April 26th, ended in the sixth round and put the bantamweight championship of Panama belt around Marcel's waist.

A month later he whipped Hurtado in a ten-round non-title match and followed that up by stopping Mexican Jose Gonzalez in seven rounds and Julio Davis in three.

Marcel was then matched with the veteran Colombian, Bernardo Caraballo. Caraballo, who twice failed in bids for the world bantamweight title against Eder Jofre and Fighting Harada and who ranked as one of the top featherweights in South America and the world, was stunningly knocked out by "Nato" in just two rounds. Marcel followed up that important victory with another impressive two-round knockout, this one over Freddy Rengifo of Venezuela. Ernesto is a well rounded young man. He likes basketball, baseball, swimming, movies, good music, dancing and, naturally, girls. But right now he doesn't pay much attention to them, his mind is on fighting and his goal is to earn enough money to buy a nice home for his mother and his family.

His flashy style and speedy combination punching has won him the hearts of the Panama boxing fans, who are among the most rabid and the most critical in the world.

While all of his pro fights have taken place in either Colon or Panama City, manager Kresch is ready to accept any offers for his services as he feels sure that Marcel is ready to take on any one in the world.

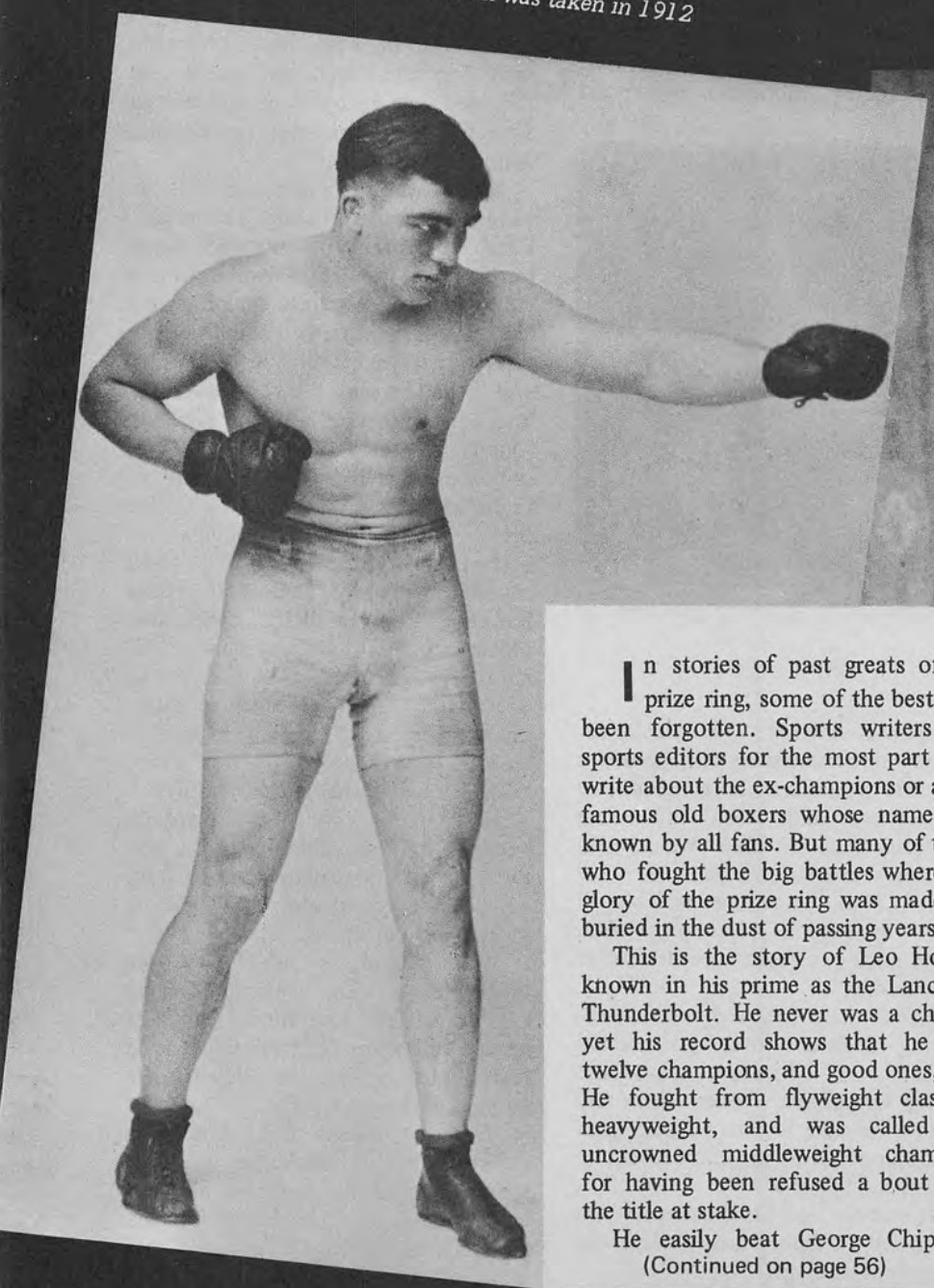
"I am going to fight him as a featherweight, I think he can beat them all until he becomes a world champ. If I did not believe the boy was good he wouldn't be around." said Kresch. ♦♦♦

LEO HOUCK

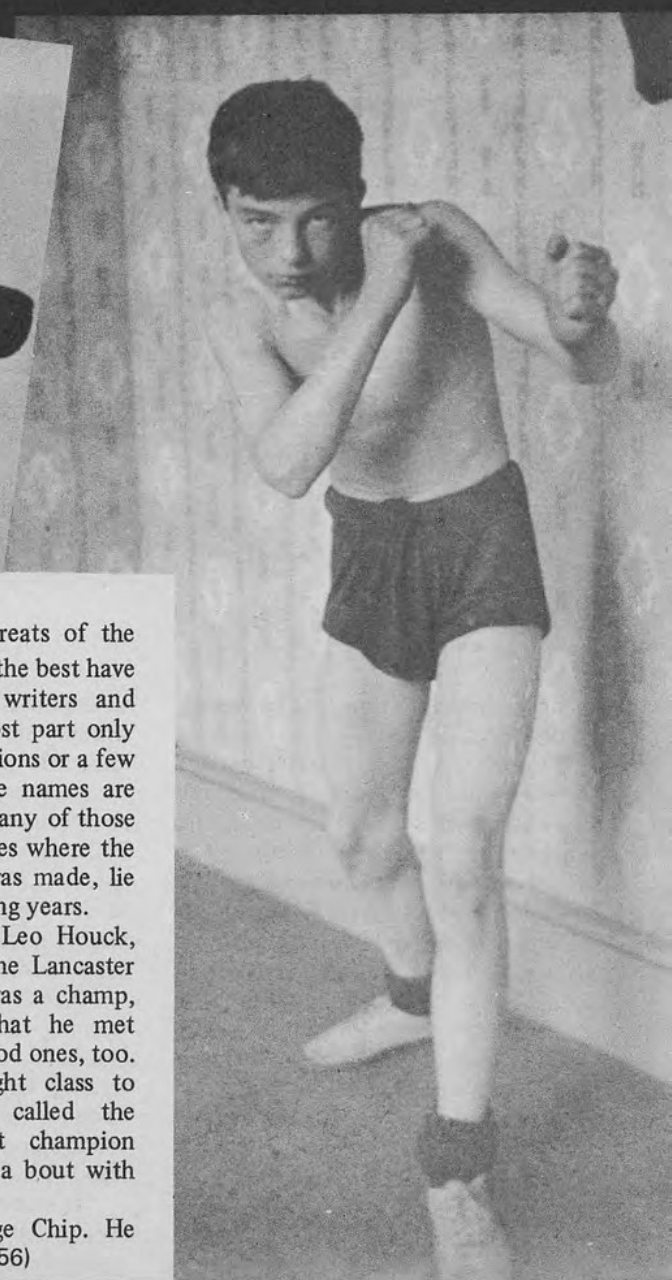
The Lancaster Thunderbolt

Was outstanding boxer, coach and friend to thousands of boxing followers

By WALTER M. PRICE



This photo of Houck was taken in 1912



Leo Houck at the age of 13

In stories of past greats of the prize ring, some of the best have been forgotten. Sports writers and sports editors for the most part only write about the ex-champions or a few famous old boxers whose names are known by all fans. But many of those who fought the big battles where the glory of the prize ring was made, lie buried in the dust of passing years.

This is the story of Leo Houck, known in his prime as the Lancaster Thunderbolt. He never was a champ, yet his record shows that he met twelve champions, and good ones, too. He fought from flyweight class to heavyweight, and was called the uncrowned middleweight champion for having been refused a bout with the title at stake.

He easily beat George Chip. He

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REPORTER AT LARGE!

By REG GUTTERIDGE LONDON EVENING NEWS

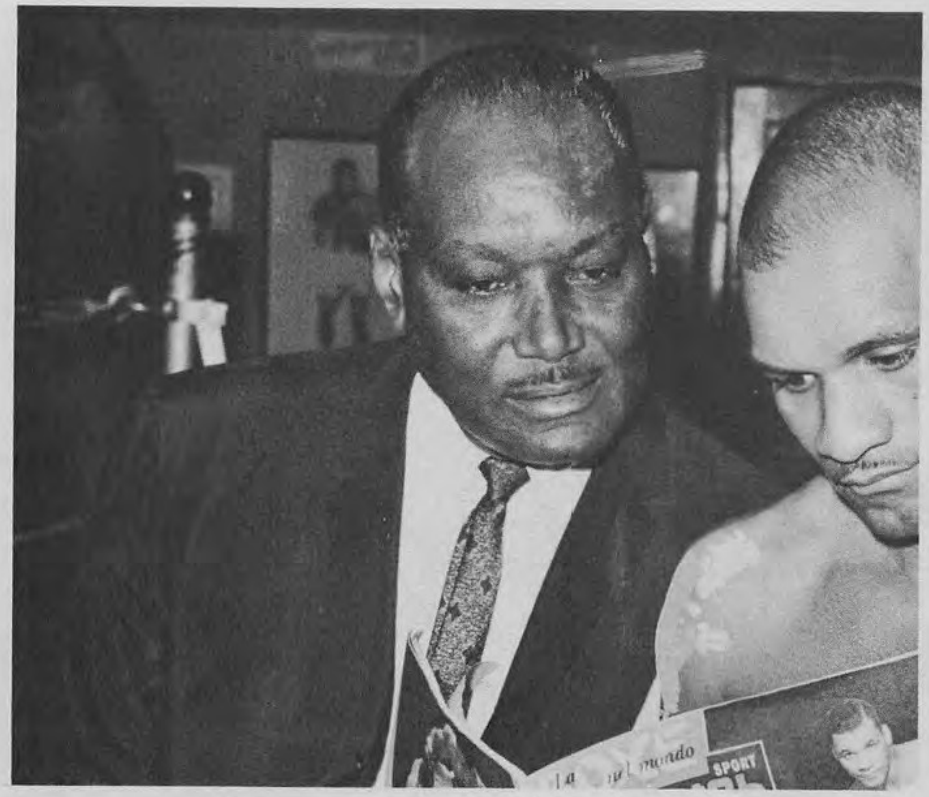
Things are looking up for the Limeys. Whey a trio of seasoned fight manipulators like Angelo Dundee, gil Clancy and George Gainford hop to London and share a dressing room without producing a winner – or even a hope – it's time the bloody British claimed their piece of tinsel.

True, Angie did not have Ali or Ellis on offer, Clancy could not command Griffith and Emperor George did not have the great Sugar man under his wing, but three comparatively unsung Britons whacked their charges and Artful Dodger world champion, Johnny Famechon, of Australia, boxed rings around Gil's Miguel Herrera.

Dundee, the Midas of Miami, might have added weight to light-heavy Eddie Talhami, a mere light-heavy facing the 2, 0 lbs. learner, Joe Bugner,

GIL CLANCY

ANGELO DUNDEE



Jim Braddock with Harry Mizler, Len Harvey and Larry Gains

GEORGE GAINFORD

but between them the task was too much.

This Talhami bloke (a physical education teacher) was no stranger to London. He's the genuine fight star of the East, born in Bethlehem! Claimed Canadian citizenship, then became part of the Dundee set-up in Florida. But I remember Eddie boxing in London as a Chelsea Boys Club trier in the Federation of Boys' Club championships.

Joking Gainford considered calling his coal-black middle, Matt Donovan, a genuine Irishman. I suggested he billed Jamaican Matt as from Cork – burnt cork. "Another Ray Robison" said George who still continues to denude the middle "n" of the incomparable Sugar.

Comedy apart, Donovan proved a game enough guy and we'll leave it at that. A British kid, Mark Rowe, who has enough loot to keep him buoyant for the rest of his like but still likes to fight, gave George's Matt a real dusting.

Being last minute bit players was a little out of the style for this trio of successful percentage men. They hustled for a sponge and bucket and were left to pick up the pieces.

Despite a 1969 report by the Royal College of Physicians that knocked the game and its hazards (from the bad old days) the British scene has shown signs of significance lately.

Without taking up yards of type todebate the moral issues of boxing, Peter Wilson puts his finger on the question by declaring "the right of choice is paramount."

The do-gooders, I feel, might turn their attentions to other fields and there are always people who would be delighted if they could control everyone's lives.

The Physicians' report (based on studies from 1929 to 1955) ensures that vigorous standards of fitness and medical control be maintained. Some Federations, I regret to report, are slack. Once we are satisfied that control is effective it should be left to the individual to decide if he wants to fight for fun or a living.

Freedom of choice is just as important as safety.

The loveable James J. Braddock, looking 64 years young, breezed into London with a wealth of stories and a reception fit for a king, when the Anglo-American Sporting Club honoured him at the Hilton.

Old timers Len Harvey, Larry Gains and Harry Mizler brought out the best bib and tucker to share the top table with J.J. who ended his career by outsmarting Welshman Tommy Farr.

Sorry to spoil an Irish image but J.J. was nearer to being an Englishman than Irishman. His parents were both born at Manchester, Lancashire, with not much more than a pint or two of Irish blood in their veins.

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

(November 20, 1969)

	HEAVYWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS	LIGHTWEIGHTS	BANTAMWEIGHTS
CHAMP: –	Title Vacant	Les McAteer (GB)	Title Vacant	Percy Hayles (Jam)	Alan Rudkin (GB)
1 –	Henry Cooper (GB)	Gomeo Brennan (Bim)	Vic Andreetti (GB)	Ken Buchanan (GB)	Walter McGowan (GB)
2 –	George Chuvalo (Can)	Harry Scott (GB)	Maurice Cullen (GB)	Love Allotey (Ghana)	Johnny Clark (GB)
3 –	Jack Bodell (GB)	Mark Rowe (GB)	Norm Langford (Aus)	Al Ford (Can)	Evan Armstrong (GB)
4 –	Bill Drover (Can)	Matt Donovan (Trin)	Des Rea (GB)	Wesley Hines (Jam)	Bob Allotey (Ghana)
5 –	Rocky Campbell (Antigua)	Bunny Sterling (Jam)	George Fogas (Aus)	Ray Adigun (Nigeria)	Steve Curtis (GB)
6 –	Carl Gizzi (GB)	Billy Opetaia (NZ)	Bobby Arthur (GB)	Jonathan Dele (Nig)	Jackie Burke (Can)
7 –	Roger Tighe (GB)	Dave Downey (Can)	Albert Breau (Can)	Brian Hudson (GB)	Glyn Davis (GB)
8 –	Bob Cleroux (Can)	Dick Blair (Aus)	Willie Rea (GB)	Jake Gulino (Aus)	Karim Young (Nigeria)
9 –	Wendell Newton (Jam)	Billy Chowles (Aus)		Joe Tettèh (Ghana)	Pat Mambwe (Zambia)
10 –	Charlie Chase (Can)	Kenny Williams (Jam)		Micky McMillan (Can)	

	LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS	JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
CHAMP: –	Bob Dunlop (Aus)	Ralph Charles (GB)	Title Vacant	Title Vacant	Title Vacant
1 –	Dick Tiger (Biafra)	Eddie Blay (Ghana)	Jim Anderson (GB)	Johnny Famechon (Aus)	John McCluskey (GB)
2 –	Eddie Avoth (GB)	Donato Paduano (Can)	Charlie James (Trin)	Lionel Rose (Aus)	Harry Hayes (Aus)
3 –	John McCormack (GB)	Bunny Grant (Jam)	Dennis Higgins (Aus)	Jimmy Revie (GB)	Art Hafey (Can)
4 –	Leweni Waqa (Fiji)	Lennox Beckles (Guy)	Jeff White (Aus)	John O'Brien (GB)	
5 –	Ray Brittle (GB)	Carlos Marks (Trin)	Toro George (NZ)	Reg Gullifer (GB)	
6 –	Milo Calhoun (Jam)	Teddy Meho (Ghana)	Ken Cooper (GB)	Barry Mason (Jam)	
7 –	Roy John (GB)	Don Davis (Jam)	Colin Lake (GB)	Ken Campbell (Jam)	
8 –	Bobby Stintinato (NZ)	Chuck Henderson (GB)	Terry Wilson (Aus)	Con McCullough (Can)	
9 –	Eddie Talhami (Can)	Peter Cobblah (Ghana)		Billy McGrandle (Can)	
10 –	Trevor Anderson (Aus)	Joey Durelle (Can)		Jimmy Bell (GB)	

"You were either Irish or dead when I was a boy" quipped Jimmy. Here's a fellow who fought skilfully, bravely, and came off the breadline to become champion and proudly return the relief pay "for those who needed it more than me."

He went back to New Jersey having been hailed, wined and dined and joining the fun at Dennie & Len Mancini's London pub where the booze flowed like the Delaware flood. They sang Danny Boy until throats were sore.

When young manager, Dennie, drove the guest back to his apartment alongside the Hilton the old champion keeled and bade farewell, but was spotted a few minutes later looking somewhat bemused along Park Lane.

Mancini beckoned Braddock to his car. "Gee, Dennie," he said "I'm real glad to see you. Some bum has just dropped me ten blocks from my hotel!"

It was that kind of night. Thanks for the memories, Jimmy.

BOXING ILLUSTRATED BRITISH RANKINGS

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2 –	Carl Gizzi	Mark Rowe	Des Rea	Jim Watt	Johnny Clark
3 –	Roger Tighe	Bunny Sterling	Bobby Arthur	Al White	Evan Armstrong
4 –	Brian London	Dick Duffy	Peter Quinn	Johnny Cheshire	Steve Curtis
5 –	Joe Bugner	Carl Thomas	Frank Young	Jackie Lee	Glyn Davies
6 –	Peter Boddington	Dennis Pleace	Pat McCormack	Colin Lake	Tony Humm
7 –	Johnny Prescott	Len Gibbs	Barry Calderwood	George O'Neill	Gareth Howells
8 –	Roy Enifer	Chris Finnegan	Jackie Turpin	Tony Riley	Joey Wright
9 –	Dan McAlinden	Peter McCann	Willie Rea	Brian Cartwright	
10 –		Ronnie Hough		Winston Thomas	

	LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS	JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS	FEATHERWEIGHTS	FLYWEIGHTS
CHAMP: –	Eddie Avoth	Ralph Charles	Jim Anderson	Jimmy Revie	John McCluskey
1 –	Young McCormack	Chuck Henderson		John O'Brien	Maurice Steves
2 –	Ray Brittle	Johnny Cooke		Reg Gullefer	
3 –	Dickie Owens	Bernie Terrell		Jim Bell	
4 –	Roy John	Pat Dwyer		Ken Cooper	
5 –	Phil Watford	Peter Cragg		Jim McAuley	
6 –	Lloyd Walford	Nat Jacobs		Billy Hardacre	
7 –	Maxie Smith	Chris Jobson		Tom Glencross	(Based on active boxers eligible for British title, including ten year residential qualification)
8 –	Jeff Shaw	Don McMillan		Willie Reilly	
9 –	Dave Hawkes	Ricky Porter		Gerry McBride	
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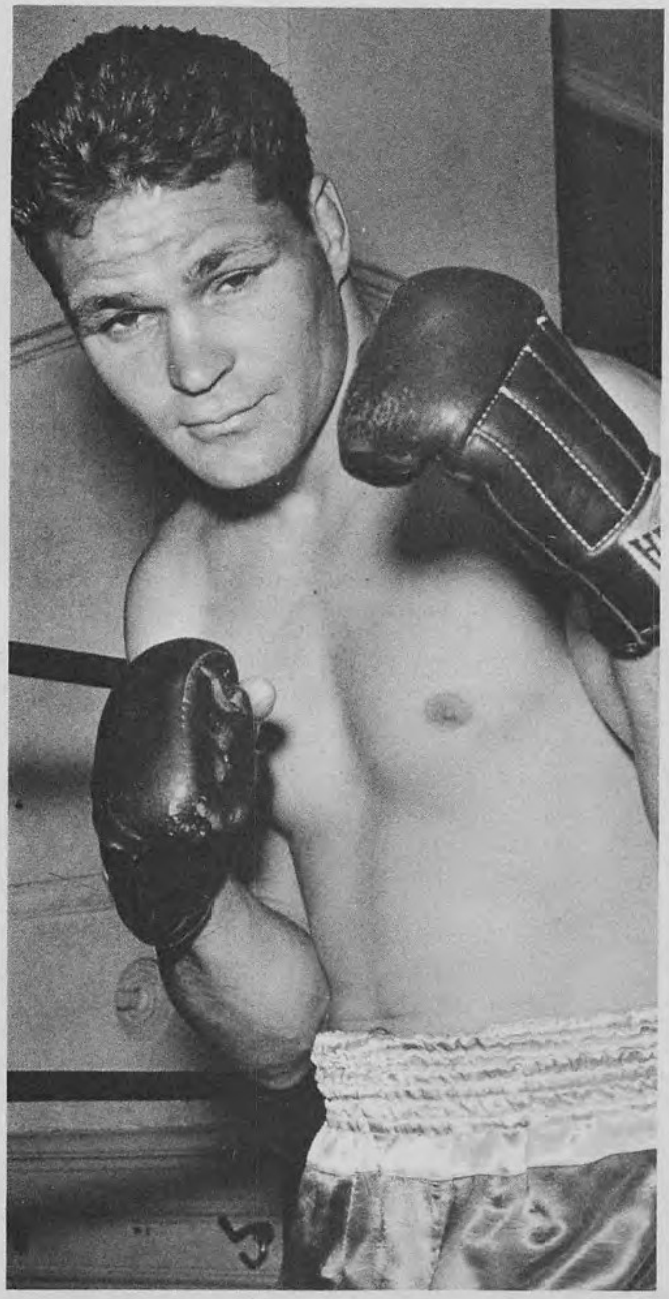
RICHARD REEKIE'S EUROPEAN SCENE

Strange times. A British Medical Commission brings to light why fighters who fought many years ago are punchy – a minority, let me add. It made little sense and was as useful in these days of stringent medicals as a horse-drawn carriage at Indianapolis.

Typesetting went and reported some good solid results. Edie Blay TKOed the referee, Riva of Milan, in three rounds. Somewhere along the line the real victim was lost.

Baldassare Piccone was matched with Pierre Tirlo – I saw this a quick KO for Piccone, then Eddie Machen (jnr) was subbed and the guess was held. Finally, Frank Merganck, of Belgium, had the job, he left mid-first, so the promoter should look a little further for somebody useful or see local interest collapse.

Spanish fight shows usually get.



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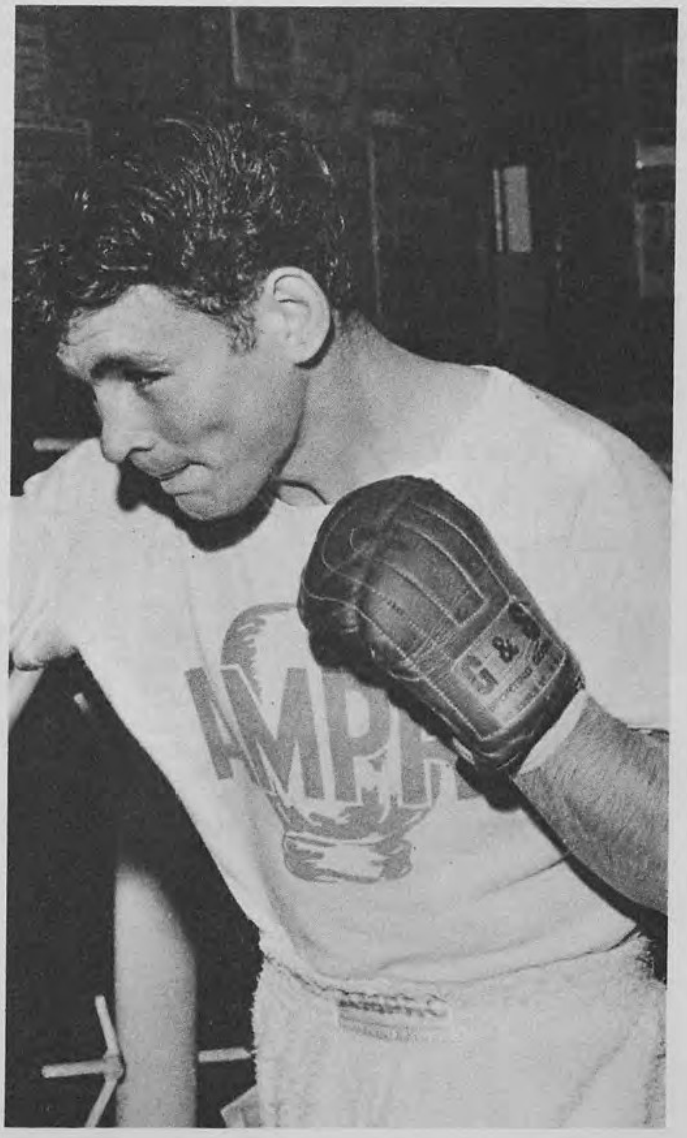

YOUNG McCORMACK

BOXING ILLUSTRATED – EUROPEAN RATINGS

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	HEAVYWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS 11 St.-6 lbs.	JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS 10 St.	LIGHTWEIGHTS 9 St.-4 lbs.	BANTAMWEIGHTS 8 St.-6 lbs.
CHAMP: –	Title Vacant	Tom Bogs (Den)	Bruno Arcari (It)	Pedro Carrasco (Sp)	Title Vacant
1 –	Henry Cooper (GB)	Nino Benvenuti (It)	Roger Zami (Fr)	Ken Buchanan (GB)	Alan Rudkin (GB)
2 –	Jack Bodell (GB)	Carlos Duran (It)	Rene Roque (Fr)	Miguel Velasquez (Sp)	Walter McGowan (GB)
3 –	Peter Weilland (Ger)	Les McAteer (GB)	Sandro Lopopolo (It)	Maurice Tavant (Fr)	Johnny Clark (GB)
4 –	Jurgen Blin (Ger)	Harry Scott (GB)	Ermanno Fasoli (It)	Antonio Puddu (It)	Franco Zurlo (It)
5 –	Carl Gizzi (GB)	Mark Rowe (GB)	Romano Fanali (It)	Carmelo Coscia (It)	Enzo Farinelli (It)
6 –	Dante Cane (It)	Luigi Patruno (It)	Vic Andreetti (GB)	Italo Biscotti (It)	Ben Ali (Sp)
7 –	Piero Tomasoni (It)	Jean-Claude Bouttier (Fr)	Maurice Cullen (GB)	Jake Gulino (Italo/Aus)	Antonio Sassarini (It)
8 –	Roger Tighe (GB)	Hans Dieter Schwarz (Ger)	Jose Luis Torcida (Sp)	Enzo Petriglia (It)	Ulf Danielson (Sw)
9 –	Bernard Thebault (Fr)	Aurelio Di Rossi (It)	Borge Krogh (Den)	Dino Fontana (It)	Augustin Senin (Sp)
10 –	Jose Ibar Urtain (Sp)	Pascal Di Benedetto (Fr)	Olli Maaki (Fin)	Brian Hudson (GB)	Evan Armstrong (GB)

	LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS 12 St.-7 lbs.	WELTERWEIGHTS 10 St.-7 lbs.	JUNIOR MIDDLEWEIGHTS 9 St.-4 lbs.	FEATHERWEIGHTS 9 St.	FLYWEIGHTS 8 St.
CHAMP: –	Yvan Prebeg (Jugo)	Johann Orsolics (Aus)	Gerhard Piaskowy (It)	Tommaso Galli (It)	Fernando Atzori (It)
1 –	Piero Del Papa (It)	Ralph Charles (GB)	Werner Mundt (Ger)	Jose Legra (Sp)	Fritz Chervet (Swiss)
2 –	Eddie Avoth (GB)	Carmelo Bossi (It)	Jo Gonzales (Fr)	Jimmy Revie (GB)	Franco Sperati (It)
3 –	Rudiger Schmidke (Ger)	Silvano Bertini (It)	Remo Golfarini (It)	Manuel Calvo (Sp)	John McCluskey (GB)
4 –	John McCormack (GB)	Antonio Torres (Sp)	Peter Marklewicz (Aus)	Jim Anderson (GB)	Paul Chervet (Swiss)
5 –	Arno Priek (Ger)	Gus Farrell (Eire)	Jean Rolland (Fr)	John O'Brien (GB)	Altero Marini (It)
6 –	Giovanni Biancardi (It)	Fighting Mack (Holl)	Cesareo Barrera (Sp)	Jan De Keers (Bel)	Fabian Bellanco (Sp)
7 –	Conny Velensek (Ger)	Robert Gallois (Fr)	Massimo Bruschini (It)	Giovanni Girgenti (It)	Andres Garcia (Sp)
8 –	Bruno Scattolin (It)	Chuck Henderson (GB)	Fabio Bettini (Fr)	Michel Vermander (Fr)	Totti Martin (Sp)
9 –	Dieter Klay (Ger)	Jean Josselin (Fr)	Luciano Sarti (It)	Luis Aisa (Sp)	Kiki (Sp)
10 –	GianCarlo Macchia (It)	Kemal Kemaci (Turk)	Aldo Battistutta (It)	Nevio Carbi (It)	

under way at 10:30 p.m. A bright idea was to go two hours earlier. The card was fair, Tony Ortiz beat Johnny White in the headliner, and the place echoed with the punches. The house was full of empty seats. There will be no more trying to change the ways of the "aficionado." He likes it late.

Pedro Carrasco looked like getting a fight with Mando Ramos but the Laguna thing made that a late date. Therefore Pedro could defend against Ken Buchanan and still make it something. But has he weight troubles – remember, European lightweight titles are decided 2½ pounds below British and U.S. standards.

Britain is not happy with the E.B.U. for the choice of challengers and not always the obvious. Title shots should be with the deserving but lately they come out of the hat. Heaven help us if the maker's name is loose and falls in among the contenders and pretenders.

A ray of light. Juan Albornoz dit Sombarita was to have returned to the ring. Juan says NO. He is to be commended for common sense. Let him rest on laurels and have good memories – he deserves.

John McCormack. former British lightheavy champion, went to Denmark on short notice and gave Tom Bogs a fright. Had the crowd booing the verdict and quiet "Jawn" was carried from the ring by pleased spectators. Borge Krogh beat Britain's Peter Quinn who was warned for everything but parking his car on a double line. Referee did the Bogs thing as well and nary a word to Tom and Borge. They must be perfect. However, my old pal, Frankie (Ampro) Duffett, who handled John, told me Bogs was an awkward type and would beat any British middle today. This I believe.

French Jo Gonzales made a return after a summer rest and had a new face in Jose Merconi (Brazil). With his usual slam and slash style Jo won in five but Merconi went clean out of gas. Merconi had given Gonzales a hard time and rocked the Frenchman who can be hit with anything, so intent is he on being destructive. Otherwise, the French matchmaking this season has shown a very slack Federation who have countenanced matches that are extremely bad. They never have been brilliant at any time but 69/70 needs some investigation.

Marty KOed Tshikuna in three. Olympic finalist, Joseph Bessala (a banger) had an opponent, Heirman – one round. Roger Menetrey – matched for the French title – with Oscar Ilungs (Congo) three rounds. Joseph Heirman from Belgium was simply outclassed. Marty's win over the worn Tshikuna was not appreciated by those who pay.

The Spaniards made an exception proving no rule. Managers Renzo Casadei and Pedro Caballero, both under suspension, had the ban lifted to enable them to negotiate European title fights for Carrasco (Casadei) and Calvo (Caballero). This makes mockery of ruling and judgment, and lowers the prestige of the Federation.

American boxers are at last entering Spain. Urtain KOed Al Banks, and the signs are that more U.S. boxers will be brought in. Well and good but an eye on the quality might be well needed. Advance publicity is good – not exactly true but interesting reading. Jimmy Anderson will be pleased to know that the Spaniards awarded him the British Empire title. Knowing Jimmy, he will ask them to "post me on a few more championships going spare."

The "Anciens du Boxe" held the yearly well attended mass for Marcel Cerdan. The tragic end of a great

fighter and his brilliance will never be forgotten.

Fit and well, Aime Raphael. This former lightweight and welterweight champion of France toured Japan nearly forty years ago and can be rightly considered a cornerstone of the near fabulous amount of boxing in Nippon today.

Carmelo Bossi froze when boxing Freddie Little. As Freddie moved in, Bossi gave him space to follow. It is something that happens and cannot be controlled. Often the spectacle with the preliminary gloving and introductions makes a fighter lose his normal ease. Were it any ordinary fight with the same principals, it would never happen.

Manuel Calvo beat the veteran Renato Galli but looked bad. Even Manuel Velasquez with his TKO of Larry Flaviano looked no better. Legra KOed Ray Miller and Carrasco took Victor Baerga apart in four.

Denny Moyer was too educated for Gerhard Piaskowy and well won ... Carlos Duran stepped back into good form with a KO over Yolande Leveque. The Frenchman gave a good account of himself but has now commenced to decline ... losing to Cerdan was Gilles Fincato and afterwards he dropped a verdict to Josselin. Fincato, at thirty-six, is beginning to ship water and provides opposition for a quiet comeback ... The Reg Gutteridge "World Boxing Yearbook" went well. My son took fifty to Shoreditch, London's fight club, and sold out while the prelims were on...

Sandro Mazzinghi, former World Jun-Middle champion, will join forces with ex-fighter, brother Guido, and form a stable. They say they have quite a few neo-pros ready to be schooled ... Put a KO King tag on a fighter and some strong character will punch it off. Antonio Puddu had the label attached and Italo/Australian, Jake Gulino, took all that Puddu could get through and countered with enough to get the verdict in the unpopular bracket ... Jose Duran (Spain) beat Vincente Mokhtar and will now commence on the better type of opponent. Let us hope he hasn't built up too much confidence on his mediocre record ... Some of the "BI" tips are progressing well, thank you. I report that young Augustin Senin, Spanish bantam, has not lost to date and will, I think, take the title from Francisco Martinez. Franco', you will not be shocked to learn, KOed Jose Bisbal in a defence. Roger Menetrey now matched with Josselin for the vacant French title ... Piaskowy did become, and is the champion of Europe at jun-mid. San Jose II is on a streak ... Rudiger Schmidke is now being noticed by others after some worthy names have been entered on the record. Nice to be first ... Twas said said that Silvano Bertini evading Eddie Blay (this I do not believe) and Silvano made no bones about having Blay in early 1970 ... Hans Dieter-Schwarz defended his German title against Klaus Stockmann and is getting confidence after the Carlos Duran disaster ... Kiel having some good cards. This large seaport in Schleswig-Holstein might build up on

FREDDIE LITTLE

the lessened appeal of boxing in Berlin and Dortmund ... Swiss, Fritz Chervet, TKOed Kamara Diop in seven with 3000 in attendance at Geneva ... Luxemburg having the odd show ... Pity Olli Maaki could not meet Enzo Petriglia and give him a test but Tore Magnussen came instead and was beaten in three ... Debut on the soft side – Bruno Freschi had Joe Bandi of Nigeria straightened in two ... Urtain versus Karl Mildenberger is wanted by the Spanish stable. I hope they want and wait ... Another Olympic selection, Franch, and Albert Menduni is having a time of it around Grenoble. Latest was Belgian, Andre Willems, TKOed in 7. This put up double figures and eight have gone short ... the "Sneeze", Jaques Kechichian from Russian Armenia, found Serge Cauver too cute and with "Kech" looking to throw the big one, Cauver stuck his way to a points win ... Garibaldi Periera did history no good when Menetrey stopped him in four ... Two French titles changed hands and found no support for the decisions with vocal cords marking emphasis. Jean Rolland had the gift of the jun-Middle title when awarded the verdict against an aghast Fabio Bettini. It was at Caen, Rolland's home town, and his supporters disagreed. Yoland Leveque lost his middleweight crown to Pascal Di Benedetto in a poor excuse for a fight. Veteran, Pierre Vetroff, edged by Claude Lapinte, might habitually complain about referees but he has a point.

Rafael Gayo, one of Spain's most popular performers a few years ago, was awarded a gold medal by the Spanish Federation. Gayo, who met many of the best in Europe, was very ill for a long time. His courage was monumental and after his recovery he has spent his time with youngsters, helping them morally and physically to be good citizens. The award was a salute from those who know that Rafael is a man of humility and kindness who is an example to all who struggle with pain.

Felix Brami began a comeback in what must be his last attempt to recapture the form that made him a world ranking fighter. Opposed by Henri Nesi, Brami was held even for six rounds with exchanges fast and hard. Nesi went under the pressure and could not make the ninth round bell. He had given every bead of sweat to halt Brami but Felix kept punching. Now, will Brami be able to maintain this style of attack? I wish him well but have doubt.

Belgian Jean De Keers is not the youngest of fighters but he still packs a fantastic punch. In beating Jean Parra in three rounds he sent poor Parra to the nearest hospital for jaw X-rays.

Of the ten titles recognized in Europe, eight are in ownership, with the remaining pair vacant. Italy holds but three – her poorest for years and the other five are held by Yugoslavia, Spain, Austria, Denmark, and Germany. No French, no British. Yet the champion in some cases (against theory) is not the best man on the Continent.

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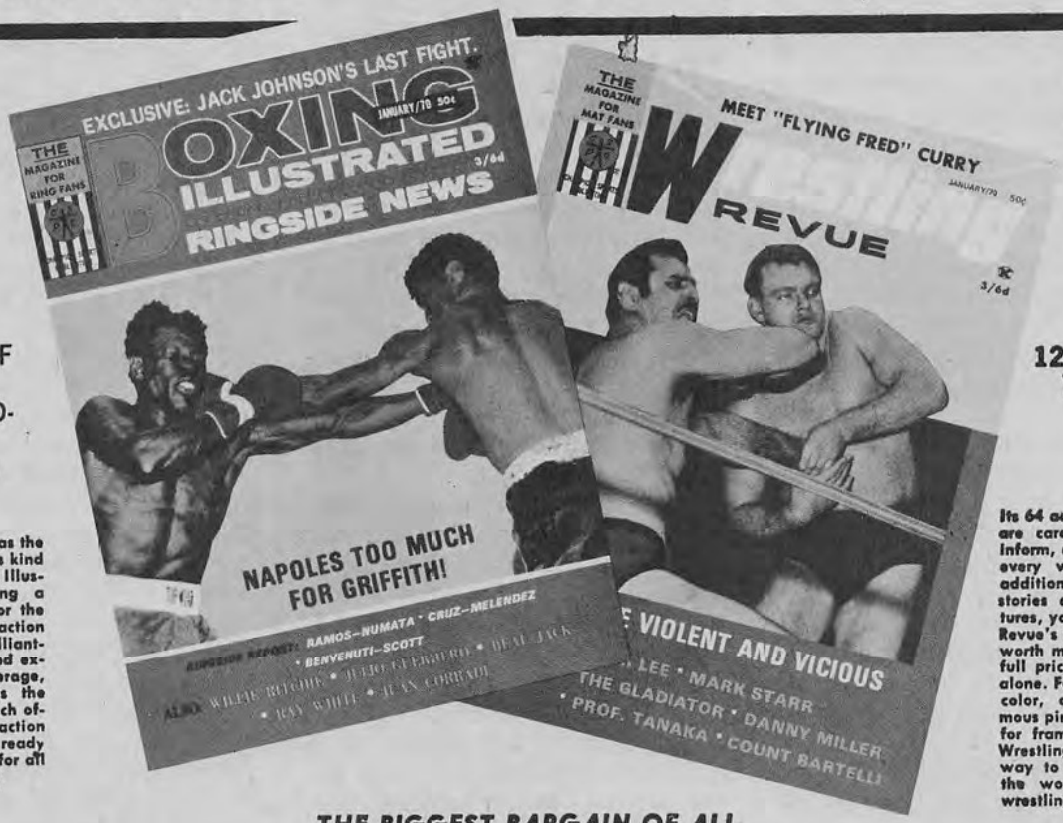

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BENVENUTI – RODRIGUEZ

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some good combinations, jabbing and hooking with his left, but Rodriguez was not bothered by them and kept pressing forward and in the closing seconds of the third round a right cross opened a slight cut over Nino's left eyebrow.

Rodriguez picked up the pace in the fourth round, making the eye his target and reopened the wound. He also opened a far worse one on the bridge of Nino's nose with a wicked left hook that sent a heavy flow of blood pouring down the face of the champion.

Nino kept up his jabbing attack and while he was able to keep Luis from inflicting further damage in the ensuing rounds, the cuts were reopened early in each round by Luis' jabs and hooks, and Benvenuti's American trainer, Al Silvani, had his hands full keeping the bleeding under control.

Nino was constantly complaining about Rodriguez, saying that he was butting, but to us it looked as if every time they moved in close Nino would jerk his head back, playing the crowd and the referee, and got away with it.

At the end of the sixth Nino complained that he was hit by Luis's elbow. However, we didn't see it, and even the referee paid no attention to Nino's cry.

The referee, however, did warn Rodriguez at least four times for the use of the head, which drew cheers from the crowd, but when he cautioned Benvenuti in the eighth round for a low left hook, the crowd threw fruit into the ring. "Bravo Sportsmanship."

The crowd kept on the referee through the ninth and tenth rounds as Rodriguez continued to belabor Nino with lefts and rights that had him off balance and on the defensive. The flow of blood was hampering him and forcing him to hold more and more often.

As in each of the rounds following the fourth when the cuts first appeared Rodriguez's first few punches of the eleventh round again drew blood from the battered face of the champion. Nino tried to hold off Luis with his flicking jabs, but they lacked any power and Rodriguez brushed them aside to move in. Suddenly as Luis was moving in, Nino lashed out with a perfect left hook – it exploded on the point of Rodriguez's jaw. His head snapped back, turned sideways as his legs crumbled under him, he dropped flat on his back, arms outstretched, and hardly moved as he was counted out.

The time was 1:08 of the eleventh round, and the bedlam that followed the knockout is hard to describe. It was really something to see.

The ending must have been a blessing to the referee and the two judges all Italians who would have been taking their lives into their own hands if they had voted the decision to Rodriguez and incurred the wrath of the crowd. Not surprisingly, the referee and one judge had Benvenuti ahead by two points and the other judge gave the champion a one point margin.

Most outside scribes had Rodriguez in front. Our card favored Luis, six rounds to four, and he was pulling away. We gave him the first, fourth, sixth, eighth, ninth and tenth, voting the second, third, fifth and seventh for Benvenuti.

Nino said that it was a very hard fight, but that Rodriguez didn't hurt him very much. He also spoke of wanting to fight light heavyweight champion Bob Foster, which would be a very unsound move by the handsome middleweight who looked fit and trim at 159¾ pounds.

Trainer Silvani said that the cut on Nino's nose went right to the bone and eight stitches would be needed to close it.

"It was cut in the fourth, but it was a right at the end of the sixth that did most of the damage," said Silvani.

Rodriguez and his manager, Angelo Dundee, were a sad and disappointed pair. Luis, his eyes still glazed, sat with his head lowered and while he called it a lucky punch, admitted that it was right on the "banana."

"I made a mistake, I was trying to set up Nino for a knockout, and got nailed," said Luis. He went on to say, "It was a lucky punch, but I got no complaints. It was just one of those things."

It was loss No. 8 for Luis in 104 fights, while Nino hung up his 81st win against two defeats and one draw, and he is undefeated in his 76 fights in his homeland, it also was the third successful defense of the title since he regained it from Emile Griffith in March of 1968. ♦ ♦ ♦

ORTIZ – LEITE

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In the second, Leite landed a long right to the jaw, Ortiz a left hook, and the rest was tugging and holding. Leite outhustled Carlos in the third, but Ortiz controlled the infighting in the fourth, scoring with a hard right to the body.

There was little action in the fifth, as Ortiz controlled the fighting on the inside and ducked under Leite's long rights. The tempo picked up a bit in the sixth (though the customers continued to boo). In one exchange both connected with rights to the jaw, and Ortiz came back with another one.

Ortiz's right eye was cut in the seventh after Leite charged in, head-first, and Carlos looked tired. However, he picked up steam in the eighth, scoring with his left hook. Leite came on strong in the ninth, landing several hard rights to the ex-champion's jaw. Ortiz scrapped right back for half of the round, then he went back to grabbing and holding.

In the tenth, both slipped to the canvas as they missed punches, and Ortiz again appeared to have that "boy, am I tired" feeling.

Judge Tony Castellano gave Ortiz a 7-3 vote, and the other judge, John Maschio, also had Carlos on top, by a 4-3-3 margin. Referee Barney Felix scored it a draw, 4-4-2, and this writer agreed.

It was the 52nd victory for Ortiz, who has lost six and drawn one in a career that began in February 1955, and isn't over yet, he says. Ortiz collected a guarantee of $20,000, while Leite, who now has a 36-3-5 record, got $5,000.

After the fight, Ortiz said he hoped to get a title fight with welterweight champion Jose Napoles of Mexico without any further tuneups. He indicated he was not interested in fighting Donato Paduano of Montreal, who he'd originally been supposed to fight at the Garden, but who had to pull out because of a hand injury.

"This fight, and another four months in the gym should make me ready for Napoles," Ortiz said.

He likened Leite to Dick Tiger in that he was difficult to feint out. "I saw plenty of openings, but I couldn't follow them up. I wasn't that sharp. Really, I was fighting myself. But the next time I should do much better."

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Bull Session (Continued from page 29)

In many cases their meager purses are not even enough to cover the costs of getting stitched up for their next punch party ... In reality these guys are actually amateur professionals in that they place glory far ahead of gold. Were it not for many a good undercard compensating for a disappointing main event I doubt if the boxing business would have survived through the years as it has, and will continue to, despite the best intentions of some of its administrative groups to the contrary. While your cheers hardly increase these boxer's bank balances, they certainly do soothe their battered bodies and egoes and make them try just that much harder ... Without the glory side of the game it is not likely that many of them would subject themselves to the rigors of the training grind solely for a fast buck. There are much easier ways to pick up walking-around money. The next time you attend the fights let the guys know you are there by encouraging them. After all, they are willing to bleed for your amusement. This is the least you can do in return to cover your end of the check.

PET PEEVE DEPARTMENT: – The latest ripple to rankle the ring powers are the long-haired hippie type boxers, such as Steve Shevlin, who have been censured for "sanitary reasons" ... Generally speaking I couldn't care less what a man has on the outside of his head. I'm far more concerned with what he has inside of it ... My one exception is within the boxing ring for purposes quite apart from hygienic or appearance reasons. It seems to me that long hair can actually rob a fighter of points and possible victory. When such a boxer moves his head to slip a shot, or gets tagged lightly but politely (to quote the late Steve Ellis), one's attention is immediately drawn to the flapping skull foliage, so much so that sometimes a scoring official is diverted to the point where he can't be sure whether the boxer slid out the punch or was reached. Even when a light lick does connect, the flying forelocks make it appear far more emphatic than it actually was and his opponent receives credits far in excess of what the pitty-pat punch really merited ... I'm not making these adverse remarks about the mod mittsters merely because I happen to be the owner of a semi-nude noggin, but because I honestly believe that long locks can cost a boxer bouts which he should properly have entered into his win column instead of finishing second by a hair (hairs?).

Can He Do It? Ingemar Johansson says,: Yes, he will shed those extra pounds and make a comeback at age 37.

FAT CHANCE? – Jackie Gleason is crowing about losing 65 pounds ... Looks like Ingemar Johansson found it and on him it doesn't look near as funny as it did on Jackie. It appears Ingo swallowed a fully inflated volleyball ... If his condition is a by-product of graceful living maybe we are just as well off being working stiffs. Frankly, though, I wouldn't mind giving the graceful living bit a whirl, for which purpose I am open to donations, get well cards and an elastic belt for use as a retainer for belts of another kind.

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NAME GAME: – Back in the days of "Trivia" I did a name-game bit. Here are a couple more to add to your collection of unsaleable gems; Ken Maynard and Alan King are both referees in British rings.

TRAINER'S TANTRUM: – "It'd be easier to housebreak an elephant than it is to teach this jerk to jab. Butt yes, jab no!"

SWEET SCIENCE? – The human body, containing various amounts of sulphur, explains why some boxers make better matches than others.

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must list what you think the vote of the referee and two judges will be.

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34 inches	WAIST	34 inches
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12½ inches	FOREARM	15 inches
13½ inches	FIST	13 inches
8 inches	WRIST	8¼ inches
24½ inches	THIGH	26 inches
15 inches	CALF	13 inches
17 inches	NECK	18 inches
9¼ inches	ANKLE	9½ inches

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RECORD

JIMMY ELLIS	JOE FRAZIER
Total fights 32*	Total fights 24
Won by K.O. 12	Won by K.O. 21
Won by Dec. 15	Won by Dec. 3
Draws 0	Draws 0
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Lost by K.O. 0	Lost by K.O. 0

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TIGER-KENDALL
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ballots from both referee Jimmy Devlin and judge Frank DiGesu. Judge Bill Recht scored it 8-2.

After some cautious probing by both men, Tiger went to work in the last minute of the first round, finding the mark with two good left hooks to the jaw. Kendall's only offensive gesture in this round was a right to the body just before the bell.

In the second, Tiger continued snapping off his left hooks from outside, and when Kendall tried to rally back, Dick jarred the Oregonian with a hook.

A good combination by Tiger seemed to wake up Andy in the third, but when he tried to move to close quarters, Dick stepped away and landed a hard right counter-punch.

Up to then, it was a slow fight, but in the fourth, Kendall came out throwing punches, and Tiger traded with him, punch for punch, forcing Andy back to the ropes with a pair of jarring rights to the jaw. Tiger then whaled away with both hands until the bell rang.

Kendall finally got his right hand on the target in the fifth, and won the round on two of the three official scorecards. But after he tagged Tiger on the jaw, Kendall's offense petered out and in the sixth, Dick was beating Andy to the punch again, clicking smartly with one-twos thrown from a crouch.

Tiger began coasting in the seventh, spearing Kendall a couple of times with his left hook, while Andy's counter punches were missing the mark. It continued that way in the eighth, but just before the bell Kendall looped a hard overhand right to Tiger's jaw. In the ninth and tenth, however, Dick was in charge of what little action there was, spearing Kendall with right-hand leads.

It was a $15,000 payday for Tiger, who also collected his 61st victory in 80 fights. He has lost 16 and drawn three. For Kendall it was the sixth defeat against 28 wins and six draws.

After the fight Tiger said that he still had hopes of getting another shot at either the middleweight or light heavyweight titles. He said it made no difference to him whether he fought Nino Benvenuti (whom he beat in a non-title 10-rounder the previous May) or Bob Foster (who kayoed him – and Kendall, too – in four rounds).

"Whichever one means the most money," said boxing's Old Man River.

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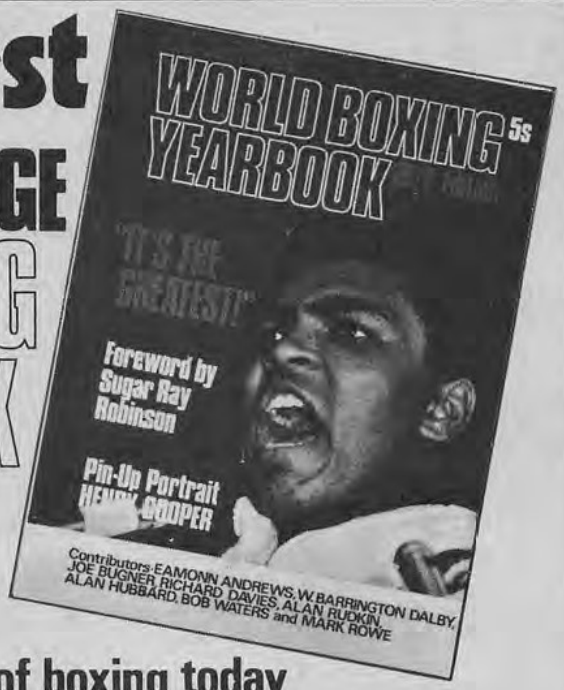
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fought many big main bouts in Europe, South America and across the United States. His great fight with Ted Lewis in Paris was the talk of the boxing world. Yet today he is largely forgotten.

Leo first climbed through the ropes in the old armory in Lancaster, Pennsylvania, as a frail kid of thirteen who claimed his age was nineteen. His opponent was Carl Creckel, and they fought a four-round draw, for which each received one silver dollar and the gloves he wore.

Only two other professional boxers are known to have been as young as Houck in their professional debuts – Willie Meehan and Georges Carpentier.

Let's take a look at some of those whom Leo Houck battled in the ring. He met Jack Britton, the welterweight champ, three times, and Harry Lewis, also welter champ, three times. He fough George Chip, who was middleweight champ, four times; Frank Klaus, another middleweight champ, once; Johnny Wilson, also middleweight titleholder, twice, and still another 160-pound ruler, Billy Papke, twice. He twice fought Jack Dillon, who ruled the light-heavyweight division, and five times he met Battling Levinsky, the light-heavy champ. Later he took a decision from Gunboat Smith and faced Gene Tunney twice.

Let's remember that Klaus once got a draw with Stanley Ketchel. In a toe-to-toe fight all the way, the same Ketchel floored Jack Johnson, only to lose the bout when Johnson landed a lucky blow flush on the jaw. Leo Houck gave Klaus a tough battle, which shows the type of fighter he was and the type of men he met in the ring.

George Chip gave Leo a non-title fight which Leo won all the way, having Chip on the floor in the first round. Leo convinced the fans he could whip Chip any day in the week. After Chip refused to give Houck a title bout, Leo was looked on by fans as the world's uncrowned middleweight champion.

Leo won easily from Gunboat Smith, who had knocked out Arthur Pelky, the man who had killed Luther McCarthy with a heavy blow. The great Jack Dempsey once was billed to fight Leo in Lancaster, Pa., but on the night of the fight he ran out to New York.

About one of Houck's greatest bouts, held in Paris, France, on May 13, 1911, here is what sports writer F.H. Lucas had to say: "There has been a sequence of first class contests in Paris lately, but one between Leo Houck and Harry Lewis tops the lot. Without any exaggeration I can affirm that this was the best fight it has been my good fortune to witness in my many years of close connection with the game. For twenty rounds these two wonderful boxers showed the skill of past masters of the art of self defense. The fans were held spellbound and there was a silence as they battled toe to toe. In America before this bout Leo had beaten the great Harry Lewis in ten rounds and when the news had reached the columns of the French press it was put down as a hoax. They could in no way understand how a practically unknown man could do this. But tonight Leo had crossed the ocean and settled the question. He not only beat Lewis but captured the hearts of all present with his great victory."

Leo fought his last bout in 1926, meeting and knocking out Sailor Grady at Rosemare Park in Lancaster. Before he retired after over 200 fights he had already started coaching boxing at Penn State College, and he continued as coach there for twenty-seven years. He died in January, 1950, in Lancaster.

In death, Houck was not forgotten by his friends and townspeople. Today in a park in Lancaster there stands a memorial to this great fighter and his unusual record of having fought a dozen champions and having boxed in every division from flyweight to heavyweight. The plaque remembers Leo's glories in the prize ring and his sportsmanship.

I salute Leo Houck, a credit to the boxing game, and I hope all readers will agree that he was one of the best ever to don a glove. After careful research in the middleweight division, I rate Leo Houck and Stanley Ketchel about even. Could they have met when both were at their best, the nod could have gone either way. And it would be impossible to find their equal among the boxers of today.

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FOREMAN – DAVILA

NEW YORK, N.Y. ... George Foreman, the 1968 Olympic heavyweight champion, was forced to travel the full route for the first time as he hung up his 8th straight pro victory, a lopsided decision over Roberto Davila of Peru in the headliner of 5 8-rounders at Madison Square Garden. George, 214, was too fast and agile for Davila, 203, and won in a breeze. We scored it 7-1, giving Davila only the 4th. The officials scored it 7-1, 7-1, and 7-0-1.

George showed good form but not much of a punch as he hit Davila with tons of leather in the last two rounds and couldn't bring him down.

The rest of the card was also on the exciting side as Bill Drover, 200, Wabush, Labrador, took a beating for four rounds then opened up to blast Forest Ward, 199½, Brooklyn, into a TKO at 2:39 of the 6th round. Bill decked Ward with a right to the chin and had him helpless when referee Zack Clayton stopped the fight.

Another come-from-behind knockout was scored by Luis Pires, 207, of Brazil, like Drover making his U.S. debut when he stopped light heavy Willie Burton, blown up to 187, in 1:48 of the seventh. Burton, a classy boxer, was way ahead on all cards, but he wilted under the heavy pressure of Pires.

Pedro Agosto, 199¼, Puerto Rico, came off the deck in the second to edge out Bob "Pretty Boy" Felstein, 209, Buffalo, N.Y., on a split decision. After the knockdown Bob kept looking for the one punch to finish it and let Pedro out-hustle him.

In a real wild one, Mike Quarry, 174, Los Angeles, Calif., came on strong in the last two rounds to edge out Rubin Figueroa, 168, New York, also on a split vote. Mike, who won his 16th in a row, was fighting his second fight in 72 hours and seemed to run out of gas in the fifth and sixth, but rallied to pull out the victory, even though the crowd thought otherwise.

KOBAYASHI – CANETE

TOKYO, Japan ... World Junior lightweight champion Hiroshi Kabayashi, 128¼, of Japan easily retained his title with a unanimous 15-round decision over Carlos Canete, 129, of Argentina before a crowd of 7,000 at Nihon University Auditorium.

Kobayashi, making his fourth defense of the title that he won in December, 1967, was the aggressor all the way, unleashing numerous flurries of sharp left hooks and rights to the head.

Canete, the Argentine and South American champion, used his fast left hand to try to hold off the champion, but Kobayashi brushed aside the jabs and moved in to punish the South American.

In the fourth round he opened a cut over Canete's left eye and in the twelfth he knocked the challenger through the ropes for the only knockdown of the fight.

Canete was not badly shaken up, and when the action resumed he continued to try to fend off Kabayashi's charges with his lefts, with no more success than before. Canete later said he had injured his right hand in the sixth round and could not use it again, and sprained his left hand later in the bout. Kobayashi also reported an injury to his right hand, in the second round.

U.S. referee Nick Pope and Japanese judge Ken Morita both scored 75-63 while judge Yusaku Yoshida of Japan had it 75-65. Kobayashi now has a 57-8-3 record.

DE PAULA – MILLER

PHILADELPHIA ... Frank DePaula, 182, of Jersey City, N.J., halted Artie Miller, 190, of youngstown, Ohio, on a technical knockout after 36 seconds of the sixth round of a scheduled ten-rounder at the Philadelphia Arena.

The fight was stopped by referee Zack Clayton when Miller indicated he was unable to continue because he got resin in his eyes when he was knocked down at the start of the sixth.

Both fighters looked rusty from lack of activity, and missed more often than they connected. DePaula hadn't fought since the spring when he beat Rudy Bent in Scranton.

DePaula was out on bail on a federal charge of theft and conspiracy, along with Gary Garafola, his manager. The fighter's license had been suspended pending disposition of the case, but he had obtained a court order to have his license restored by the Pennsylvania State Athletic Commission.

The victory was DePaula's 21st against seven losses and three draws, and it was his 15th knockout.

In the semifinal, Lee Batts, 238, of Philadelphia, knocked out Charles "Emperor" Harris, 209, of Jersey City, N.J., in 2:02 of the second round.

ROSE – GARCIA

MELBOURNE, Australia ... Former world bantamweight Lionel Rose, 124½, of Melbourne made his debut as a featherweight a smashing success with a five-round knockout over Vicente Garcia, 126, of Mexico before a large crowd in the stadium.

Rose dominated the fight from the opening bell as he scored repeatedly with stinging left jabs and hooks to the head and short jolting rights to the body.

Garcia attempted to work his way inside, but was unable to penetrate Lionel's defenses as the speedy Rose would jab and move out of range.

Lionel switched from his hit and run tactics early in the fifth round as

he leveled off with his punches and spun Garcia all the way around with a right on the jaw that sent Vicente stumbling into the ropes. A few moments later Lionel crossed his right over a left lead by Garcia. The punch was a beaut. It spun Garcia completely around, dropping him for the full count.

Rose and his manager, Jack Rennie, were very pleased with his showing, although a bit surprised by the heavy punch he showed

When Lionel lost his title to Ruben Olivares in California, he admitted that the weight making had hurt him, and he surely looked a different fighter against Garcia.

FAMECHON – HERRERA

LONDON, Eng. . . . Promoter Mike Barrett pitted world feather kingpin, Johnny Famechon, against slippery Miguel Herrera, of Ecuador, in the first of a warm-up series before he enters the lion's den against Fighting Harada in Tokyo.

Aussie Fammo did his customary rope tricks and provided the frills to outpoint 49-fight Herrera by the maximum 50 marks over ten rounds, yet referee Harry Gibbs gave six rounds even.

Famechon was the second fighter on Barrett's bill that brought a packed Royal Albert Hall house. The British enjoy the French-bron champion's skills, yet he lacks the authority demanded of a world beater which restricts his box office appeal.

Famechon had been inactive with an ankle injury after skipping around Harada in Australia and needed the exercise, without much fear of damage, against an Ecuador trier, based in New York and seconded by Gil Clancy.

The rounds were repetitive with Famechon assuming command for the second half of the fight after the ref had called for action and constantly hauled them apart.

FOSTER – LESLIE

NEW ORLEANS, La. . . . World light heavyweight champion Bob Foster, 180, Washington, D.C., kayoed Chuck Leslie, 180, Los Angeles, Calif., in 2:58 of the fifth round of their non-title match at the Municipal Auditorium that drew a small crowd of only 1,731 fans on a Sunday afternoon.

The champion is a real fine fighter, but every time he fights his lack of box office appeal becomes more and more apparent.

Leslie, game as they come, carried the fight to Foster during the first two rounds, while Bob seemed to be laying back and waiting for an opening. It came near the end of the third round, as he sent Leslie half-way out through the ropes with a looping right to the jaw.

Chuck held his own during most of the fourth round, then was nailed by a series of left-right combinations to the head that dropped him for the mandatory eight count. He was rubber-legged and another hard right to the jaw decked him at the bell. There was some confusion as referee Herman Dutreix started to count after the bell, stopped, then picked it up again, but Chuck struggled to his feet. Dutreix later explained that although Leslie was hit before the bell, he didn't go down until after it had rung.

Foster turned aggressive in the fifth and floored Chuck with a long right to the jaw. Once again Leslie got up. He was bleeding fromthe mouth and groggy but tried to fight back. A volley of lefts and rights by Foster sent Chuck reeling towards the ropes and the referee stepped in and halted the fight.

CHARLES – HENDERSON

LONDON, Eng. . . . British and Commonwealth welter champion, Ralph Charles, made the ht he's threatened for a long time when he hammered miner, Chuck Henderson, in five rounds, in the first defence of his titles.

Charles looked as if his ill-luck had returned with a cut eye flowed profusely in the second, but ref Wally Thom, an ex-welter champion scarred in his time, did not interfere.

Charles turned on the pressure and in a ruthless, bloody battle reduced southpaw Henderson (the official challenger) to a standstill. A left-hook, perfectly timed, with a follow-through right to the body floored Henderson who was counted-out after diving between the ref's legs.

Henderson had fought boldly and looked fit, but Charles had the class and the determination. At last he accepted the plaudits from a fine performance as the Lonsdale Belt was proudly fastened around his waist.

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Inglewood's (Calif.) "Fabulous Forum" . . . Insiders say Manhattan Cablevision – telecasting Madison Sq. Garden boxing & wrestling shows – has signed up 12,000 subscribers, paying $5.50 per month. M.C.'s video offerings now reach from the Battery to 14th Street in New York City . . . Ex-champ Billy Conn's brother, Jackie – a swash-buckling warrior of other days – is reported ailing.

JR. MIDDLEWEIGHT CHAMP Freddie Little's easy-as-pie three-chukker TKO of the back-tracking Carmelo Bossi ticked-off $50,000-plus at Rome, Italy. Insiders say Mister L. can now write his own ticket for a Feb. undraping there . . . Newsy Ike says: "Don't wager the rent money the on-again, off-again Mando Ramos-Ismael Laguna title-tilt finally takes place next Jan. at Panama . . . NY's red-hot heavyweight prospect Jeff Merritt says he'll continue on the sidelines (for a six-month span), until his current fighter-mgr. pact expires.

GREENE LITE UPS:

Champ Bob Foster's six-month grace expired on Nov. 25th! He's long overdue on a titular defense . . . Ex-champ Curtis Cokes, presently the owner of a lavish nite-spot in Dallas, Texas, has begun readying for an immediate comeback – to replenish his deflated bankroll . . . Puerto Rican lightie champ Frankie Narvaez says: "I should have been the lightweight champ. Carlos Ortiz would never fight me. But – if I ever get Teo Cruz in the ring, I'll positively knock him out." . . . Akron welterweight bombardier Fate Davis must be quite a warrior! Guys like Manny Gonzalez, Percy Pugh, Rodrigo Valdez, Hedgemon Lewis, Charley Shipes, Raul Rodriguez, Dario Hidalgo, Oscar Alvarado and Alvin Phillips sidestepped tiffs with him! . . . Venezuelan lightie Roman Blanco deserted the fight biz! . . . Just for the record: Champ Bob Foster bosses' nixed a Baltimore ring duel with New England champ Dick Hall . . . Jimmy Ellis' kid brother, Charley – a talented middleweight, unbeaten in half-dozen starts – looks like a comer . . . Sunnyside Garden – the last of NY's small fight clubs went bye-bye! . . Texan Paul Patin deserted Bash Boulevard . . . Cloutin' Puerto Rican light-heavy Angel Oquendo doubles as the co-owner of a thriving Bronx (NY) gas-station . . . Methinks Fresno's Mac Foster reckons to be "Mister Big" in '70 . . . Atlanta middleweight Bobby Alford moonlights as a deputy-sheriff in his own bailiwick . . . NY Heavyweight Forest Ward neared "Journey's End", following a fearful lacing 'neath the mitts of Canuck Clouter Bill Drover . . . NY's talented

Fate Davis

Willie Burton – halted by the brawling South American Luis Faustino Pires in his last – oughta' stay with the light-heavies!

ACCORDING TO JACK PATTERSON (Akron Beacon–Journal) – **Don Fullmer finished up a definite winner over Doyle Baird! And – Cleveland Plain-Dealer sports ed. Hal Lebovitz also balloted Fullmer a winner. "Fullmer gave Baird a first-class boxing lesson," he penned.**

P.S. – However, the official verdict – an unjust split duke – was awarded to mister B, who wound up with a badly gashed left orb! . . . Dave (Ziggy) Zyglewicz's pals say the brawny Troy (NY) heavyweight – who moonlights as the bossman of a money-making tap-room – will lace 'em up early in '70 . . . Light-heavy hopefuls – Andy Kendall and Roger Rouse may collide in a Missoula, Montana, rematch.

LAS VEGAS' BILL MILLER – rounding out his fifth consecutive year of uninterrupted weekly fight shows, currently being staged at the "Silver Slipper" – raves about Art Alderete, an unbeaten Phoenix middleweight. "He's the best prospect I've seen in years . . . a smaller edition of Rocky Marciano," he added . . . We've been tipped many influential New Jersey politicos have begun punting for topflight publicist Murray Goodman's selection for the NJ Boxing Commish post, slated to be filled early in '70 . . . New Orleans promoter Lou (I broke even) Messina says Akron's Fate Davis rates highly with WBA prez Emile Bruneau.

IT'S LOTS LATER than you think, bub – if you dwelled on the fight beat when Mickey (The Kid) Davies – America's premier matchmaker – "booked" gladiators right smack from his Huntington, West Virginia, abode . . . Veteran Pittsburgh fight figure Frankie Martini and Elroy Face, noted baseballer, now operate Steel City's fabulous "Frankie's Band Box" . . . Baseballer Dean Chance and bankroller Blackie Gennaro (a well-fixed Hillsville, Pa. contractor) hope to corner the fight biz. But – their initial venture, Blackie confessed, hasn't turned out well. "We're stuck 30-Gs with light-heavy Ray Anderson," he added.

MADISON SQ. GARDEN fight buff George Ettinger wants to know what's happened to law-and-order at Madison Sq. Garden. "When the crowd takes over, the cops are afraid to crack down," he added. (Editor's note: It could be the reason why Madison Sq. Garden fight crowds have been dwindling! . . . Pittsburgh fight beat denizens say former fight promoter Benny Anolik – a heart transplant patient two years ago – is doing fine. He's a former World War II Marine, who served under movie star Mac Donald Carey in that casualty-ridden Tarawa invasion in the Pacific.

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UNITED STATES

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. . . . Nate Collins kayoed Lonnie Harris, 8, (M).
PHOENIX, Arizona . . . Alton Colter outpointed Jerry Stevens, 10, (Fea); Manny Elias outpointed Frank Rodriguez, 12, (B).
SCRANTON, Pa. . . . George Foreman kayoed Leo Peterson, 4, (H).
TAMPA, Fla. . . . Florentino Fernandez kayoed Lou Howard, 4, (M).
WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. . . . Marcus Anderson outpointed Ramon Montez, 10, (L).
SYRACUSE, N.Y. . . . Billy Backus and Ricky Ortiz, drew, 10, (W); Hal Carroll kayoed Joe Alexander, 7, (LH).
SPRINGFIELD, Mo. . . . Richard Young outpointed Bobby Garza, 8, (W); Ronnie Wright and Clarence McMinn, drew, 6, (M).
WOODLAND HILLS, Calif. . . . Ray White outpointed Frank Niblett, 10, (LH).
LIMA, O. . . . Charlie Williams kayoed Mel Turnbow, 4, (H); Marion Thomas kayoed Rufus Holliday, 2, (L).
SEATTLE, Wash. . . . Fraser Scott outpointed Prince Jackson, 10, (M); Ray Anderson kayoed Ed Ostapovich, 1, (LH); Larry Buck kayoed Bill Marsh, 7, (LH); Bill Schellhas outpointed Gary Wiler, 10, (H).
AKRON, O. . . . Ray Anderson kayoed Joe Byrd, 1, (LH); Lyle Randolph kayoed Sanders Crowe, 1, (L).
DETROIT, Mich. . . . Bob Smith kayoed Ben Benjamin, 6, (H)
SAN JOSE, Calif. . . . Ray Echavarria outpointed Antonio Hernandez, 10, (Fea); Steve Carter outpointed Jimmy Rosette, 10, (H).
SAN ANTONIO, Tex. . . . Raul Rojas kayoed Rogilio Tolongharl, 7, (L); Rodolfo Gonzalez kayoed Javier Jimenez, 6, (L).
NORTH BERGEN, N.J. . . . Pat Murphy outpointed Al Hughes, 10, (W).
STOCKTON, Calif. . . . Rudy Villagonza outpointed Rudy Corona, 12, (B).
CORPUS CHRISTI, Tex. . . . Gilberto Dos Los Santos outpointed Jorge Gabino, 10, (W).
OMAHA, Neb. . . . Art Hernandez outpointed Dub Hutley, 10, (M); Ron Stander kayoed Buddy Elbert, 1, (H).
SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. . . . Bobby Rodriguez outpointed Rogilio Tolongharl, 10, (Fea).
HOUSTON, Texas . . . Mac Foster kayoed Cleve Williams, 3, (H); George Foster kayoed Max Martinez 2, (H); Joe Roman kayoed Joe Clark, 3, (H).
WORCESTER, Mass. . . . Ruben DeJesus outpointed Pat Killvin, 8, (Fea); Jim Cherico kayoed Al Morales, 5, (LH).
SAN DIEGO, Calif. . . . Eddie Mazon outpointed Tommy Coulson, 8, (L); Aristo Castro outpointed Benito Juarez, 8, (W).
CLEVELAND, O. . . . Doyle Baird outpointed Don Fullmer, 10, (M); Ted Guleck kayoed Lee Estes, 1, (H); Billy Wagner stopped Jim Cherico, 4, (LH); Chuck Spencer kayoed Willie Williams, 3, (Fea).
. . . Al "Blue" Lewis outpointed Bill McMurray, 10, (H).
PHILADELPHIA, Pa. . . . Frank DePaula kayoed Art Miller, 6, (LH); Lee Batts kayoed Charlie Harris, 2, (H); Carlos Mark kayoed Billy Lloyd, 9, (W).
. . . Sammy Goss outpointed Billy Wade, 10, (Fea).
. . . Joe Shaw outpointed Benny Briscoe, 10, (M); Leotis Martin outpointed Roger Russell, 10, (H).
. . . Sammy Goss kayoed Castro Ramirez, 4, (Fea); Bob Marshburn kayoed Lee Batts, 1, (H); Mel Hutchins outpointed Bob Benoit, 10, (M).
PORTLAND, Me. . . . Larry Butler outpointed Roy Williams, 10, (W).
. . . Kenny Campbell outpointed Beau Jaynes, 10, (L); Kenny Williams kayoed Larry Wright, 5, (M).
. . . Kenny Williams outpointed Mel Collins, 10, (M).
NEW YORK, N.Y. (MADISON SQ. GARDEN) . . . George Foreman outpointed Roberto Davila, 8, (H); Bill Drover kayoed Forest Ward, 6, (H); Luis Pires stopped Willie Burton, 7, (H); Pedro Agosto outpointed Bob Feistein, 8, (H); Mike Quarry outpointed Ruben Figueroa, 8, (LH).
. . . Dick Tiger outpointed Andy Kendall, 10, (LH); Harold Richardson outpointed Humberto Trottman, 10, (M).
. . . Carlos Ortiz outpointed Edmundo Leite, 10, (W); Pat Murphy outpointed Dorman Crawford, 6, (W).
ORLANDO, Fla. . . . Tedd Murray outpointed Joe Moss, 10, (M); Ernie Shavers kayoed George Holden, 1, (H).
LAS VEGAS, Nev. . . . Cyclone Barth outpointed Cipriano Hernandez, 10, (W).
. . . Zora Folley outpointed Billy Joiner, 10, (H).
. . . Jesse Armenta outpointed Ronnie Wilson, 10, (LH).
HONOLULU, Hawaii . . . Baby Cassius outpointed Hubert Kang, 10, (JL).
. . . Leo Calderon and Domi Manalang, drew, 10, (B); Ray Adigun kayoed Jose Luis Castillo, 6, (L).
. . . Sho Saijyo outpointed Felipe Torres, 10, (Fea).
. . . Al Ford outpointed Ray Adigun, 10, (L).
. . . Rudy Alarcon and Robert Alvarez, drew, 10, (B).
MIAMI BEACH, Fla. . . . Baby Luis outpointed Mario Sauernnann, 10, (L); Charley Ellis kayoed Tony Santiago, 7, (W); Jerry Evans outpointed George Holden, 8, (H).
. . . Porter Rolle kayoed Candy Rosa, 3, (M).
LOS ANGELES, Calif. . . . Jose Moreno outpointed Luis Ramirez, 10, (Fea).
. . . Jimmy Robertson outpointed Juan Collado, 10, (L).
. . . Larry Harding outpointed Rugene Parker, 10, (L).
. . . Jose Luis Cruz outpointed Sinicki Kodata, 10, (L).
TAUNTON, Mass. . . . Dick Hall outpointed Sylvester Duilaire, 10, (H); Dave Adkins kayoed Spider Freeman, 6, (M).
. . . Bobo Akerson kayoed Billy McCluskey, 5, (JW); Jackie Colley kayoed Jerry Wright, 3, (M).
. . . Sylvester Duilaire outpointed Bob Marshburn, 8, (H); Jackie Colley outpointed Sugar Ryan, 6, (M).
HUNTINGTON, W. Va. . . . Junior Varney kayoed Frankie Polite, 3, (Fea).
OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. . . . Richard Medrano outpointed Richard Young, 10, (W); Dub Manis kayoed Joe Sharlow, 2, (H).
. . . Brian Kelly outpointed Alonzo Harris, 12, (LH); Dub Manis outpointed Kenny Hayden, 6, (H).
MILWAUKEE, Wisc. . . . Eddie Brooks outpointed Charley Singleton, 8, (H).
RICHMOND, Va. . . . Ted Cooper outpointed Skeeter Tyler, 10, (W); Sonny Floyd stopped Dave Wyatt, 6, (W).

NORTH AMERICA

CANADA
MONTREAL, P.Q. . . . Joey Durelle kayoed Bobby Payzant, 3, (W); Gerald Rattex stopped Gene Herrick, 4, (W).
TORONTO, Ont. . . . Clyde Gray stopped Dave Dittmar, 7, (M); Paul Nilsen outpointed Tony Burwell, 8, (H).
EDMONTON, Alberta . . . Dave Downey stopped Ray Christian, 7, (M).
HALIFAX, N.Z. . . . Dave Downey stopped Dave Dittmar, 9, (M).
MEXICO
ACAPULCO . . . Antonio Pino outpointed Alberto Amaya, 10, (Fea).
GOMEZ PALACIO . . . Coneja Aguirre kayoed Jose Zamora, 5, (L).
TIJUANA . . . Javier Ayala kayoed Elias Vargas, 11, (L); Rodolfo Martinez kayoed Batlin Gutierrez, 8, (Fea); Joe Valdez kayoed Jose Gonzalez, 6, (B).
MONTERREY . . . Chocolate Ramos kayoed Isalas Martinez, 9, (Fea).
. . . Rocky Garcia kayoed Gregorio Zuniga, 2, (Fly).
TUXTULA GUTIERREZ . . . Ray Perez kayoed Tomas Ramirez, 4, (Fea).
JUAREZ . . . Halimi Gutierrez kayoed Rene Boy, 5, (Fly); Jose Lopez kayoed Cubanito Ruiz, 3, (B).
MEXICALI . . . Raul Soriano outpointed Cyclone Barth, 10, (W).
TAMPICO . . . Frijolito Madrid kayoed Diabo Saldivar, 6, (B).
OXACA . . . Jose Luis Meza kayoed Gustavo Sosa, 3, (B).
MATEGUALA . . . Jose Pena kayoed Agustin Navarrete, 7, (M).
GUADALAJARA . . . Oscar Martinez outpointed Pedro Cordero, 10, (B).
. . . Efren Torres outpointed Susumo Hanagata, 15, (Torres retained world flyweight title).
MONCLOVA . . . Armando Avitia kayoed Chucho Oliva, 3, (M).
MEXICO CITY . . . Jose Cruz kayoed Blas Arellano, 6, (B); Chamaco Ortiz kayoed Aurelio Muniz, 3, (Fea).
. . . Antonio Berrios kayoed Juan Sanchez, 4, (Fly); Chucho Flores kayoed Manuel Trejo, 5, (Fea).
. . . Jamie Perez kayoed Tilico Perez, 9, (B).
. . . Halimi Gutierrez and Osvaldo Maldanado, drew, 10, (Fly).
. . . Chamaco Ortiz kayoed Chango Estrada, 6, (Fea).
PUERTO RICO
SAN JUAN . . . Vicente Rendon stopped Angel Oquendo, 6, (LH).
. . . Julio Viero outpointed Ramundo Dias, 10, (L).
. . . Pedro Miranda kayoed Willie Crosby, 3, (M).
. . . Jose Marquez outpointed Roland Pryor, 8, (W).
FREEPORT, Bahamas . . . Gomeo Brennan stopped Billy Marsh, 10, (M).

BRITISH ISLES

SHOREDITCH . . . Bernie Terrell kayoed Peter Cragg, 1, (W); Mick Cain stopped Joe Falcon, 6, (M).
SOUTHEND . . . Mick Cain won on a disqualification over Dick Duffy, 4, (M); Clive Cook outpointed Ray Hassan, 8, (M).
BRIGHTON . . . Guinea Roger kayoed Dickie Owens, 4, (LH); Howard Sharpe stopped Ade Ajasco, 2, (M).
BETHNAL GREEN . . . Bernie Terrell kayoed Panther Cyril, 7, (W); John Stracey stopped Ray Opoku, 3, (L).
DUNSTABLE . . . Cliff Field stopped Billy Wynter, 7, (H); Freddie Williams stopped Arnold Bell, 5, (L).
NOTTINGHAM . . . Eddie Avoth outpointed Bunny Johnson, 8, (LH); Jimmy Bell outpointed Jim McAuley, 8, (Fea); Freddie Williams stopped Paddy Fitzgerald, 3, (L).
. . . Dan McAlinden kayoed Phil Smith, 3, (H); Jackie Turpin stopped Phil Dykes, 5, (W).
LONDON
ROYAL ALBERT HALL . . . Johnny Famechon outpointed Miquel Herrera, 10, (Fea) (non-title); Ralph Charles kayoed Chuck Henderson, 5, (W); Johnny Clark outpointed Manuel Arnel, 10, (B); Joe Bugner stopped Eddie Talhami, 4, (H); Mark Rowe stopped Matt Donovan, 9, (M).
MAYFAIR . . . Ken Buchanan stopped Vincenzo Pitardi, 2, (L); Walter McGowan outpointed Antonio Chiloiro, 8, (B).
PICCADILLY . . . Lloyd Walford stopped Derek Richards, 6, (LH); Ken Cooper outpointed Hugh Baxter, 8, (JL).
. . . Ron Hough outpointed Tom Bell, 8, (M); Gareth Howells outpointed Ron Elliott, 8, (B).
. . . Barry Calderwood outpointed Des Rea, 8, (W); Jim Watt outpointed Tommy Tiger, 8, (L).
KENSINGTON . . . Johnny Cheshire kayoed Al White, 1, (L); Brian Hill stopped Albert Austin, 2, (H).
MANCHESTER . . . Frank Young outpointed Alan Totton, 8, (M).
SHEPHERDS BUSH . . . Vic Andreetti outpointed Victor Paul, 8, (W); Eric Blake outpointed Fred Powney, 8, (W).
LEEDS . . . Gerry McBride outpointed Young Silky, 10, (JL); Ken Cooper outpointed Jim McAuley, 8, (Fea).
SOLIHULL . . . Maurice Cullen outpointed Bobby Authur, 8, (JW); Pat Dwyer outpointed Tom Bell, 8, (M).

SOUTH AMERICA

ARGENTINA
MENDOZA . . . Juan Corradi outpointed Luis Zuniga, 10, (JL).
. . . Victor Veron kayoed Omar Quijada, 3, (B).
BUENOS AIRES . . . Jorge Ahumada outpointed Carlos Salinas, 10, (M).
. . . Hector Sanchez outpointed Carlos Aro, 10, (L).
. . . Alberto Lovell and James J. Woody, drew, 10, (H).
. . . Miguel Angel Paez kayoed Eduardo Corletti, 4, (H).
BAHIA BLANCA . . . Carlos Gimenez outpointed Martin Juarez, 10, (L).
SAN RAFAEL . . . Alberto Lovell kayoed Luis Urra, 2, (H).
TUCUMAN . . . Hugo Bidyeran kayoed Franklyn Caamano, 7, (B); Carlos Peralta kayoed Alfredo Robledo, 6, (W).
. . . Carlos Peralta kayoed Hugo Vergara, 1, (W).

MAR DEL PLATA ... Horacio Saldano kayoed Anibal DiLella, 7, (W).
CORDOBA ... Julio Catalini and Angel Roman, Tech. D., 9, (JW).
... Luis Romo won over Raul Chaile, Tech. Dec. 6, (JL).
SALTA ... Victor Cardenas outpointed Valentin Galeano, 10, (B).
SANTA ROSA ... Everaldo Costa outpointed Rodolfo Catalini, 10, (JW).
BRAZIL
OSASCO ... Nelson Gomez outpointed Victor Temoteo, 8, (W).
SAO PAULO ... Joao Henrique kayoed Mario Molina, 12, (JW); Servilio de Oliveria kayoed Jose Matias, 4, (B).
CHILE
SANTIAGO ... Jose Chirino outpointed Domingo Rubio, 12, (M).
... Godfrey Stevens outpointed Don Johnson, 10, (Fea).
... Luis Zuniga outpointed Pedro Parra, 12, (L); Hector Molina outpointed Sergio Diaz, 8, (B).
VALPARAISO ... Guillermo Walter kayoed Martin Cotazo, 3, (H).
... Luis Urra outpointed Guillero Walter, 10, (H).
COLOMBIA
CARTAGENA ... German Gastelbondo kayoed Humberto Hurtado, 2, (JW); Orlando Jimenez outpointed Bernardo Caraballo, 10, (Fea).
PERU
LIMA ... Roberto Davila and Guillermo De La Cruz, drew, 12, (H).
URUGUAY
MONTEVIDEO ... Mario Benitez kayoed Rafael Lascano, 4, (M).
... Vicente Derado and Omar Gottifredi, drew, 10, (JW).
VENEZUELA
MARACAIBO ... Betulio Gonzalez kayoed Ramon Bravo, 5, (Fly).
CARACAS ... Carlos Hernandez outpointed Eugenio Espinoza, (L); Jose Acosta outpointed Alton Colter, 10, (JL); Ramon Bravo kayoed Earl Large, 1, (Fly).
... Armando Mendoza outpointed Joe Gomes, 10, (Fea); Felix Marquez outpointed Antonio Barboza, 10, (Fly); Martin Vallecilla outpointed Mario DeLeon, 10, (Fly).

EUROPE

DENMARK
COPENHAGEN ... Tom Bogs outpointed Young McCormack, 10, (M); Boerge Krogh outpointed Peter Quinn, 8, (L); Tom Jensen outpointed Don McMillan, 8, (M).
FRANCE
ANNECY ... Roger Menetray outpointed Bernard Dessi, 10, (W).
CALAIS ... Marcel Cerdan outpointed Gilles Fincato, 10, (W).
MARSEILLES ... Salah Abdeslem kayoed Jo Horny, 1, (B).
... Jo Gonzales kayoed Jose Meconi, 5, (M).
... Marius Cordier outpointed Gabriel Locatelli, 10, (Fea).
PARIS ... Marcel Cerdan stopped Oswald Lang, 9, (W).
... Roger Zami kayoed Jean Van Torre, 1, (L).
... Felix Brami stopped Henry Nessi, 9, (Fea).
... Jean Claude Bouttier and Nessim Cohen, drew, 10, (M); Jacques Marty kayoed Jean Tshikuna, 3, (M); Robert Gallios won on a Dis. over Sion Lellouche, 7, (W).
... Jean Josselin outpointed Gilles Fincato, 10, (W); Roger Zami stopped Rene Rourre, 5, (L).
... Roger Mentrey stopped Jean Josselin, 6, (W).
... Nessim Cohen and Bunny Sterling, drew, 10. (M); Joe Tetteh kayoed Lakdar El Harijl, 7, (L).

CANNES ... Pascal Di Benedetto outpointed Yoland Leveque, 15, (M).
VILLEURBANNE ... Roger Menetrey stopped Oscar Flenga, 3, (W).
STRASBURG ... Jean-Peter Schmidt outpointed Manfred Lessmann, 8, (L).
GERMANY
FRANKFURT ... Ruediger Schmidtke outpointed Wilhelm Von Homburg, 10, (H); Charley Graf kayoed Ludwig Hahn, 1, (H).
KIEL ... Arno Priek outpointed Mohamed Hassan, 6, (LH); Hans Dieter Schwartz outpointed Klaus Stockmann, 12, (M); Lothar Abend kayoed Mohammed Faroussi, 3, (Fea); Reinhard Dampmann stopped Michel Blinker, 2, (M).
HOLLAND
ROTTERDAM ... Joop Verbon stopped Ronald Riedewaid, 8, (M); Aad Jensen outpointed Ali Sanon, 10, (W).
AMSTERDAM ... Nico Atosery stopped Werner Hellemann, 3, (M); Joop Kruis kayoed Hans Michel, 5, (M).
ITALY
FORTE DEI MARMI ... Carmelo Coscia and Vincenzi Pitardi, drew, 12, (L).
ROME ... Freddie Little stopped Carmelo Bossi, 3, (M); Carlos Duran kayoed Yoland Leveque, 9, (M); Enzo Petriglia stopped Tore Magnussen, 2, (L).
... Nino Benvenuti kayoed Luis Rodriguez, 11, (Benvenuti retained world middleweight title); Jose Urtain kayoed George Holden, 1, (H).
MILAN ... Antonio Puddu outpointed Jake Gulino, 10, (JL); Eddie Blay outpointed Fernand Ahumibe, 8, (W).
ANCONA ... Giovanni Girgenti stopped Ambrogio Mariani, 7, (Fea).
SPAIN
BARCELONA ... Miguel Velazquez outpointed Massimo Consolati, 10, (L); Jonathan Dele kayoed Anton Navarro, 5, (L).
... Jonathan Dele kayoed Jean Montreuil, 2, (L).
... Miguel Velazquez outpointed Giuseppe Amante, 10, (L); Angel Garcia and Jose Hernandez, drew, 10, (W).
VIGO ... Jose Utrain kayoed Al Banks, 2, (H); Pedro Carrasco kayoed Victor Baerga, 4, (L); Agustin Senin stopped Omar Cabrera, 4, (B).
MADRID ... Jose Legra kayoed Ray Miller, 2, (Fea); Manuel Calvo outpointed Rinalti Galli, 8, (Fea); Miguel Velazquez kayoed Larry Flaviano, 5, (L); Valentin Loren outpointed Jose Arranz, 8, (Fea).
... Tony Ortiz outpointed John White, 8, (W); Andres Martin outpointed Abdesdan Manan, 8, (Fea).
... Pedro Carrasco kayoed Bill Whittenburg, 5, (L); Jose Urtain kayoed Mike Bruce, 2, (H); Agustin Senin outpointed Antoine Porcel, 10, (B).
... Mike Bruce kayoed Benito Canal, 1, (H).

AFRICA

SOUTH AFRICA
DAVEYTON ... Gordon Goba kayoed Joseph Sishi, 8, (M).
BLOEMFONTEIN ... Sam Lechoano kayoed David Lekgetho, 10, (B).
DURBAN ... Joe Ngidi and Mike Ramagolo, drew, 10, (M).
... Levy Madi stopped Sam Booysen, 5, (JL).
KROONSTAD ... Steve Khotle outpointed Johannes Sithebe, 8, (Fly); Anthony Sithole kayoed Benjiamin Sebego, 4, (Fly).
MASERU ... Levy Madi outpointed Philip Sibeko, 6, (JL); Gabriel Diamini kayoed Ebrahim Momla, 3, (W).
SPRINGS ... Gordon Goba kayoed Enoch Bhengu, 8, (M).
JOHANNESBURG ... Joe Nigidi outpointed Hurricane Tshabalala, 8, (M).

ORIENT

KOREA
PUSAN ... Sung Jun Kim outpointed Dong Chun Lee, 10, (JL); Soo Kang Suh outpointed Chung Park, 10, (Fea).
SEOUL ... Hyum Kin kayoed Sakada Yorinobu, 10, (Fea); Keum Tak Lee kayoed Izmi Shigeaki, 1, (M).
... Yung Chul Cho kayoed Chong Tae Yim, 5, (L); Keum Tak Lee kayoed Saito Saburo, 6, (M).
PHILIPPINES
MANILA ... Pel Fedranza kayoed Mar Flores, 3, (W); Mar Yuzon kayoed Celso Patiag, 1, (JL).
... Erbito Salavarria kayoed Takeshi Nakamura, 12, (Fly); Rudy Billiones and Noel Morales, drew, 12, (Fly).
QUEZON CITY ... Ruben Bantiles kayoed Ric Villagano, 7, (B); Pol Orbe outpointed Johnny Eagle, 10, (B).
JAPAN
UTSUNOMIYA ... Koichi Okada outpointed Jung Ung Yang, 12, (Fea).
OSAKA ... Kuniaki Shibata kayoed Flash Besande, 3, (Fea).
NAGOYA ... Cassius Naito kayoed Phil Robinson, 2, (M).
TOKYO ... Hidemori Tsujimoto kayoed Jun Kojwa, 5, (JL).
... Masataka Takayama kayoed Norio Endo, 3, (L).
... Cassius Naito kayoed Juan Aguan, 3, (M).
... Hideo Kanazawa kayoed Ansano Lee, 1, (M).
... Hiroshi Kobayashi outpointed Carlos Canete, 15, (Kobayashi retained world junior lightweight title).
... Yoshio Nakane kayoed Shuji Chiyoda, 5, (B).
... Ryu Sorimuchi stopped Joe Tamai, 4, (W).
... Pedro Adique kayoed Koichi Wajma, 1, (JW).
... Ruben Navarro stopped Kenji Iwata, 3, (JL).

PAN – PACIFIC

AUSTRALIA
MELBOURNE ... Lionel Rose kayoed Vincente Garcia, 5, (Fea).
... Harry Hayes outpointed Franco Speratl, 10, (Fly).

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Yes boxing has suffered due to the loss of Muhammed Ali (Cassius Clay?), but we still have our *Hero* Jimmy Ellis!

Here's to Ebullient Ellis! As long as he avoids all fistic endeavors, he will be free from harm or danger. I am positive Dauntless Dundee will continue his magnificent managerial endeavors. Jimmy Ellis and Angelo Dundee! Abbott and Costello! Martin and Lewis!

I believe this correspondence will greatly offend a faction of your regular readers. Of course many other regular readers of B. I. such as yours truly (since 1959,) will concur with my sacrilegious sarcasm.

Richard Matt
Sacramento, Calif.

HOW ABOUT DELANEY

Sirs:

I am a fan of the heavyweight and light heavyweight divisions of boxing, and would like to know something of former world light heavy champ, Jack Delaney.

Where was he born, how many fights did he have, and what were some of his more memorable fights.

William McNaughton
Churchill, Man., Canada

(Editor's Note: Jack, real name Ovila Chapdelaine, was born in St. Francis, P. Q., Canada, on March 18, 1900. He had 86 fights, won 70, 42 by k.o.'s; drew 3, lost 10, had 2 no decisions and 1 no contest bout. His most memorable fights were his series with Paul Berlenbach and his fights with Tom Heeney, Tiger Flowers, Paulino Uzcudun, Tommy Loughran and Johnny Risko. I suggest that you purchase copies of the issues of B. I.

Jack Delaney

for June and July, 1968, which have a fine feature on Jack's life and fistic career.)

SAYS ELLIS WILL BEAT FRAZIER

Sirs:

Over the years I have been very accurate in predicting the winners of forthcoming fights and I say that Jimmy Ellis will easily beat Joe Frazier when they meet.

How often does the Bull beat the Matador?

A. F. Goodliff
Toronto, Ont. Canada

George Chuvalo

A FAN OF CHUVALO'S

Sirs:

I am a devoted George Chuvalo fan since I became interested in boxing some years ago. I realize that he does not have the boxing ability to match his physical characteristics. However, in pure stamina, toughness and physical strength he has no rival.

I am also a firm believer that in decision bouts the verdict should go to the one who carries the fight and in Chuvalo's fights with Terrell, Patterson and Mathis he was robbed.

C. Morris
Vancouver, B. C., Canada

HOW MANY TITLE FIGHTS FOR JOHNSON?

Sirs:

My friend and I are having an argument. He said that Jack Johnson made only two successful title defenses: against Jeffries and Ketchel. Is this true? If not please tell me who else he beat and what round he kayoed or decisioned them.

Tim Steinhoff
Hackensack, N. J.

(Editor's Note: Aside from Jeffries and Ketchel, Johnson successfully retained by stopping Jim Flynn in 9; Andre Sprool in 2; drawing with Jim Johnson in 10 and outpointing Frank Moran in 20.)

Tony Canzoneri

WHO ELSE?

Sirs:

When Emile Griffith recently fought Jose Napoles for the welterweight title it got me to thinking. How many other boxers who held titles in higher classes later attempted to win ones in lower classes, and did they succeed?

John Zitis
Baltimore, Md.

(Editor's Note: If you include Jr. Divisions there were seven others; some succeeded some failed. Bob Fitzsimmons won the light heavyweight title after losing the

heavyweight; Henry Armstrong won the lightweight while holding the welterweights; Tony Canzoneri won the lightweight after losing the Jr. welterweight; Carlos Ortiz won the lightweight after losing the Jr. welterweight; Johnny Dundee won the featherweight after losing the Jr. Lightweight; Kid Chocolate won the featherweight after losing the Jr. lightweight and Jackie "Kid" Berg failed to gain the lightweight after losing the Jr. Welterweight).

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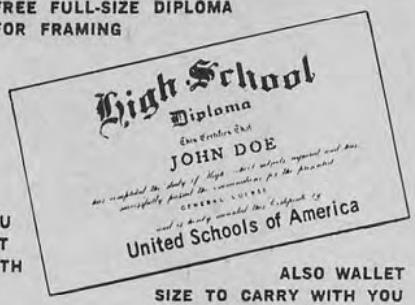

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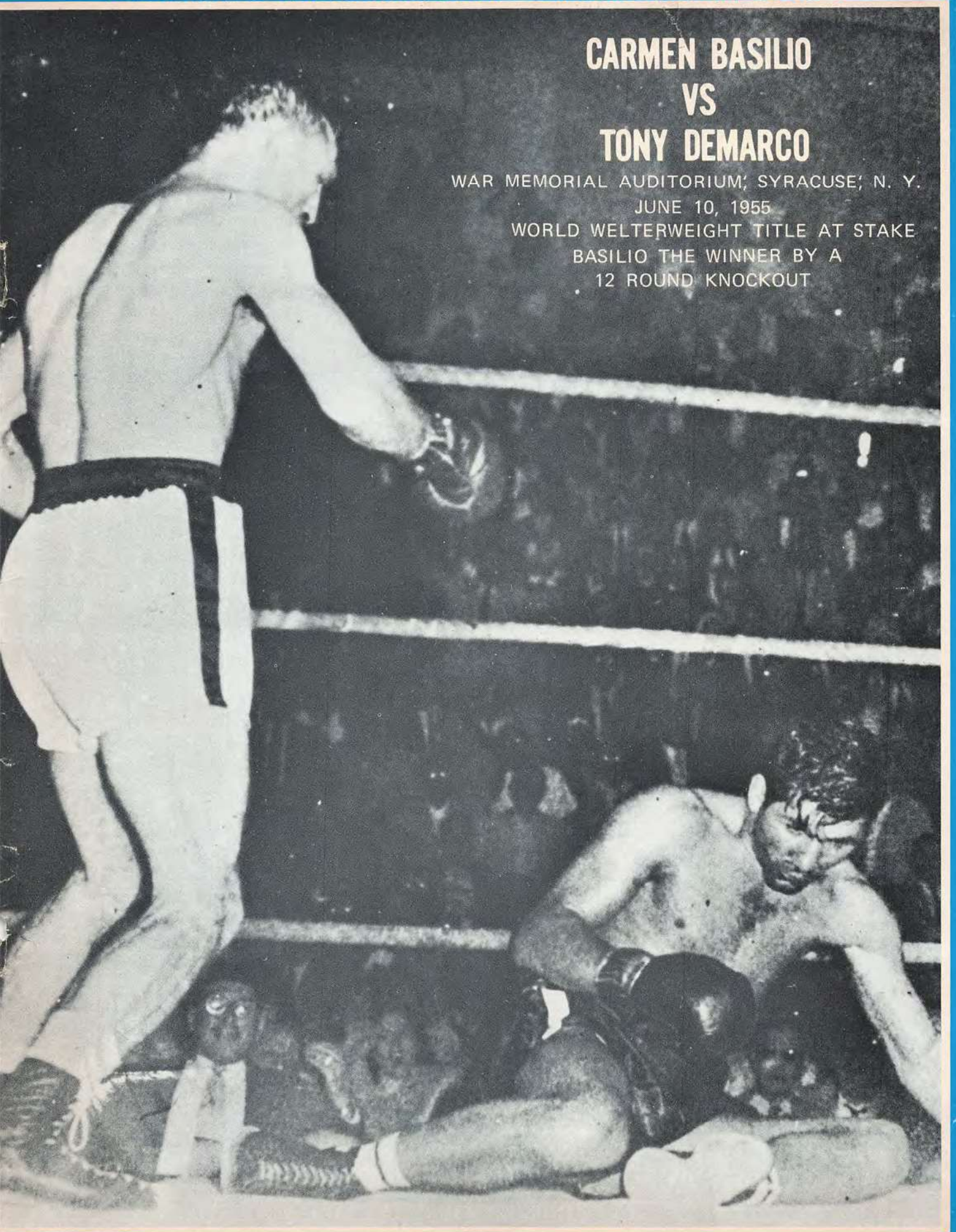

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